THE WEATHER

Fair today, probably followed by rain tonight or Wednesday

THE LOWELL SUN

NOON EDITION

ESTABLISHED 1878 — LOWELL MASS. TUESDAY DECEMBER 23 1913 — PRICE ONE CENT

Wilson to Sign Currency Bill Today

FIFTY MEN DROPPED IN THE STREET DEPT.

Mayor O'Donnell Receives Strong Letter From Architect Stickney in Favor of Pillsbury Site

Today about fifty men were laid off in the street department. They had been employed mainly on laying cinder sidewalks and cleaning streets. The regular men who have been on the paving and macadam work finished the jobs on hand yesterday and will attend to the work of the men who have been laid off.

Favoring Pillsbury Site

Mayor O'Donnell has received a number of communications favoring the selection of the Dr. Pillsbury estate as a site for a contagious disease hospital. This morning he received the following letter from Architect Frederick W. Stickney:

Lowell, Dec. 22, 1913.

Hon. James E. O'Donnell, Mayor:

My Dear Mr. O'Donnell—I want to write just a line in behalf of the Dr. Pillsbury estate for a contagious hospital. This note was suggested by myself to Dr. Pillsbury, and not by any request from him.

I know the construction of the house as an architect, although I did not design it. It was built by the day, has a double air space all around the outside, making it warm in winter and cool in summer. It would make an ideal administration building. I know that the house itself (not figuring in cost of land, grading, stable and other improvements) cost what it is now assessed for. It is certainly an ideal location, and is far away from everybody so as to make it isolated. It is not in a valley, but way above the river, with a fine system of drainage, a pure water supply, etc. It is also the nearest location of any lot, or building, that has yet been suggested, to the centre of the city.

I have, as you know, no possible personal interest in the matter. If I had I should not think of writing to you. Aside from my friendship with the doctor, I feel that as a citizen, taxpayer and architect of some experience that this location should be carefully considered. I am, Sir,

Most respectfully yours,

Frederick W. Stickney.

Hotel Alterations

According to a permit taken out at the office of the superintendent of buildings at city hall this forenoon, the Arlington hotel at the corner of Central and Hurd streets is about to undergo extensive alterations. The hotel belongs to the P. Dempsey estate and the application for the permit states that the alterations and additions will include the rebuilding of the building now used as a shine parlor, the putting in of plate glass windows and a new metal exterior. Other improvements will include new floors and new roofs.

A permit was granted Mary J. Murphy this morning for repairs and alterations to a building at 192-194 Suffolk street. The permit calls for interior alterations including three toilets, one on each floor.

All up to Asso., Xmas eve.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned wish to express their heartfelt thanks to their many friends and neighbors; also to the teachers of the Bartlett school who showed their sympathy by floral offerings and words of consolation during their sad bereavement. In the account of the funeral the following names were inadvertently omitted: Miss Delina McKenzie, Miss Jessie McKenzie and Miss Bell Wood. To these and all others we are deeply grateful and will ever remember their kindness.

Mrs. Catherine Judge.
Miss Alice T. Judge.

Brownies, Asso., Xmas eve.

THE POST OFFICE

The busiest place in Lowell today is the postoffice. Thousands of packages of parcels post matter and pieces of first class matter are being received and sent out hourly and every man in the employ of this department is hustling as he never hustled before.

The rush last night was so great that it was some time after 8 o'clock the usual closing hour, when the stamp windows were closed. At 8 o'clock there was a long line of people who failed to heed the injunction to "Do Your Christmas Mailing Early" attempting to reach each of the windows and the stamps were sold and parcels post packages received until the lines dwindled down. Tonight the regular windows will be open until 8 o'clock and then the night windows will be in operation until 12. However, the earlier one arrives at the postoffice to purchase stamps or send packages the less time he will have to spend standing in the lobby.

Although no exact estimate can be secured, it is evident that far more business is being transacted at the post office this Christmas season than ever before. Tons of parcels post matter has been received here for delivery and like reports are received from other cities throughout the country. The number of packages handled during the past two weeks will run up into the thousands and hundreds of sacks are being transferred daily between the office on Gorham street and the B. & M. station. Extra men have been put to work, more space has been secured and extra teams have been placed on the parcel post delivery system so that everything possible is being done to avert delay in handling either mail of parcels post matter.

Everybody to Asso., Xmas eve.

TO HOLD BANQUET

FOURTH DEGREE, K. OF C., MAKING PLANS FOR BRILLIANT AFFAIR NEXT MONTH

The ways and means committee of the fourth degree, K. of C., held a meeting in the council chambers last evening and decided to conduct a banquet for their lady friends and members on Tuesday evening, Jan. 20. The plans as arranged last evening are to make the affair, which will be the first of its kind ever held by this branch of the council, one of the most successful banquets ever held in this city. The committee is composed of men, very familiar with this line of work, and all are working zealously to make the affair one to be long remembered by all who attend.

Miner's latest, Asso., Xmas eve.

Good time, Asso., Xmas eve.

TOO MUCH CARE

Anxiety and worry, overstudy and overwork, have broken down the health of a great many people. They have weakened the nerves, impaired the digestion, upset nutrition.

Now what is needed is just such a combination of iron with nerve tonics, digestives and nutrients as

PEPTIRON PILLS

Price, 50c, or $1 a box; at druggists or sent by parcel post on receipt of price by C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass.

WHAT FOR THE LADIES?

What shall we give these patient toilers?

Can we not lighten some burden in the home?

Electric gifts solve the question.

Come! Take a peep in our merry Christmas store.

Lowell Electric Light Corp.

50 Central Street

MEASURE IN SENATE FOR FINAL ACTION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The administration currency bill entered the last stage of its passage when the senate met at ten o'clock today to take up the conference report which already had been delayed 24 hours by difficulties in the house.

Backed by the overwhelming democratic majority of the house yesterday when the bill was passed by a vote of 293 to 60 the bill came to the senate for what leaders confidently expected was the last time, with the agreement on all disputed points approved by the lower body. It remained for the senate to act upon the compromises which had been effected between the managers of the two houses.

The democratic majority in the senate seemed to be working smoothly and the leaders expected to see the bill finally engrossed and on its way to the White House for President Wilson's signature before night. All the changes made by the conference managers were agreeable to the president and it was understood in official circles that he would accompany his signature with some sort of a statement to the country.

Y. M. C. A. VICTORY AND JOLLIFICATION

More Contributions Last Night Make Total of $82,214.17

Great Rejoicing Over the Splendid Triumph of Campaign

Chairman Flather, Pres. Bowen and Other Leaders Delighted



MR. FREDERICK A. FLATHER, Chairman Campaign Committee.



MR. FRANK A. BOWEN, President Y. M. C. A.

The members of the Y. M. C. A. campaign committee gathered in the gymnasium last night to hear final reports and for a jollification meeting after the great victory in which they raised more than enough money to pay off the debt that has been incurred during the past year. Everyone present was happy and was there with the intention of having a good time, but none had forgotten the important part that others had taken to make the campaign a success and each man expressed his gratitude to all who were interested in the result of the recent campaign.

After supper was served Chairman Flather arose and with brief remarks called for any amounts that had been received since the adjournment of the noon meeting. Several subscriptions were reported, including a number from the boys making a total of $792.56 or over $82,000 for the building fund. The different captains and members of the teams were cheered and all stood up and sang "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow," to music furnished by Cushman's orchestra.

The chairman of the various committees were then called upon and they thanked the men who had worked under their direction and who had given the greater part of their time during the past ten days toward the Y. M. C. A. The chairmen of the committees were: Business men, Burton H. Wiggin; young business men W. H. Hoyt; citizens, S. H. Thompson.

Mr. Flather then called upon Asa C. Russell, who as a member of the

STREET RY. MEN'S UNION

Balloting for New Officers Today — Two Opposing Tickets in the Field

This is a busy day among street car employes, for the Street Car Men's union, division, 280, is today holding the annual election of officers. The polls were opened at 10 o'clock this forenoon and the voting will come to a close at 6 o'clock this evening. The regular Australian ballot is being used, and three precinct officers, all members of the union, are in attendance all day. These men receive the same pay as the city precinct officers for their day's work.

The election is an important feature among the members of this popular organization, which counts several hundred members in its fold. There is a contest for every office with the exception of day warden and night warden. At the bottom of the ballot is a referendum question which reads: "Shall the Ladies' Auxiliary have the use of the hall for meetings free?"

At 10 o'clock this forenoon a meeting of the union was held with President Fred Crowley in the chair. Considerable routine business was transacted and at the close of the meeting the polls were opened. A similar meeting will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, at which time the result of the election will be announced.

President Fred Crowley, who is now serving his first term as the head of the association is in line for reelection, and his friends say he is a sure winner, for he has made a very efficient president and the union prospered under his administration. The keenest contest, however, is for secretary-treasurer, this position being made vacant by the resignation of Charles Gallagher, who held the position for six consecutive years, but who recently left the road after being appointed assistant sealer of weights and measures.

The candidates for election are as follows:

President, Fred Crowley, John Griffin.

Vice president: Thomas H. Maroney, Joseph Powers.

Recording secretary: John J. Kelly Timothy Mack.

Secretary-treasurer: Frank Wright, Thomas Sullivan, Fred McEnaney.

Janitor: Patrick Lowe.

Day warden: Thomas Griffin.

Night warden: M. O'Brien.

Correspondent for "motorman and Conductor:" Frank Toohey, Norman Messer.

Board of trustees: John Lyons, Emerson McLean, Joseph Shaw, Anders Holmstedt.

Executive board: Thomas Powers, Patrick Fells, Michael W. Regan, Martin McNamara, William Hardiman, Thos. Holden, Henry Bent, Edward Donnelly.

The precinct officers are: J. Quinlan, E. Marshall and David Gleason.

TONIGHT

BASKETBALL GAME

Y. M. C. I. vs. South Ends

Y. M. C. I. HALL

ADMISSION, 15c

FIRST EDITION

FOR LATER LOCAL AND TELEGRAPH NEWS AND TODAY'S STOCK MARKET REPORT SEE LATER EDITIONS

ATTENTION, SMOKE INSPECTOR RILEY!

N. Y. Company Perfects Apparatus Which Eliminates Smoke and Cinder Nuisance

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—After nearly three years of experimentation a local manufacturing company has perfected, it is claimed, an apparatus which practically eliminates the smoke and cinder nuisance. The apparatus, known as a wet cleaner, is simple in construction and operation. The smoke coming from the fires which heat huge boilers laden with cinders is driven at high speed through a sheet of water. By this process, practically all of the material which constituted a nuisance is deposited in a big water tank. The water cleaning apparatus has been attached to 71 of the boilers in the manufacturing plant here and it is estimated that the equipment reduces the amount of material discharged by the boilers by 75 per cent.

MAY BE CALLED TO COURT

Attorney General Will Compel Lowell to Build a Contagious Hospital

Attorney General Swift has filed the necessary papers asking for a writ of mandamus to compel the city of Lowell to come into the supreme court and show why the law has not been lived up to in the matter of the erection of a contagious disease hospital.

It may be that the attorney general has failed to obey the law. Is not aware of the fact that the municipal council has selected a site, or perhaps he is not disposed to take any chances. The matter has been hanging fire for years and he thinks perhaps that it is about time to force the issue. He has also hailed the city of Gloucester into court, for that city, too.

POLICE COURT

Many Offenders Were Before Judge Enright for Drunkenness

The unique spectacle of a man fully togged in Wild West regalia, with the exception of a Colt's six gun, was presented last night on the streets of this city by Joseph Pepin.

With a belt full of wicked looking cartridges and the cuffs and swagger of a full-fledged cow puncher, Pepin proceeded to show his friends how he behaved when he was a "hard guy" as he himself termed it.

Officer Simon Lane stopped the antics of Pepin, however, and took him to the station. On account of the fact that the defendant has a wife and two children depending upon him for support Judge Enright placed his case on file with a warning not to be brought in again.

Gilbert Cyr is an old man, but he still likes his alcoholic stimulants, which fact landed him in police court today. Officer Regan testified that the defendant entertained a crowd of companions at his house three or four times a week and that on the majority of these occasions they all got drunk. Last night Cyr was helplessly drunk and had to be carried into the patrol. On account of the man's age the court allowed him to depart with a suspended sentence of three months in jail hanging over his head.

John A. Landry appeared this morning on a drunkenness charge for the third time within a year. Officers Breault and Regan told the court that the defendant was very drunk and boisterous, but Landry asserted with heat that he was absolutely sober. To be sure he had taken two glasses of beer and perhaps three or four, but he was not drunk. However, Judge Enright ordered the defendant to pay over a fine of $15.

Jeremiah Mahoney was given a jail sentence of two months for drunkenness. Daniel McCleary was sent to the same place for ten days. McCleary was also drunk.

David S. Booth and Minnie Lablanc were given direct sentences on a statutory charge this morning. Captain Atkinson and Patrolman McMannon arrested the pair in the Bon Marche building early Saturday morning. Booth was given a six months' sentence to the house of correction and the girl was sent to jail for three months.

Brownies with Miner's, Xmas eve.

WARNING!

In previous years instances have occurred in the nature of depredations at the Lowell Cemetery at Christmas season. Trees have been cut and stolen presumably for Christmas use. There is a severe and well defined penalty for misdemeanor of this kind. All persons are warned against commitment of such acts. Be assured, all, that corporation will protect its property. The line of spruce trees on Lawrence street, opposite the cemetery are cemetery property on cemetery land.

Proprietors of the Lowell Cemetery,
CHARLES L. KNAPP,
Treasurer.

FOR 65 YEARS

City Institution for Savings

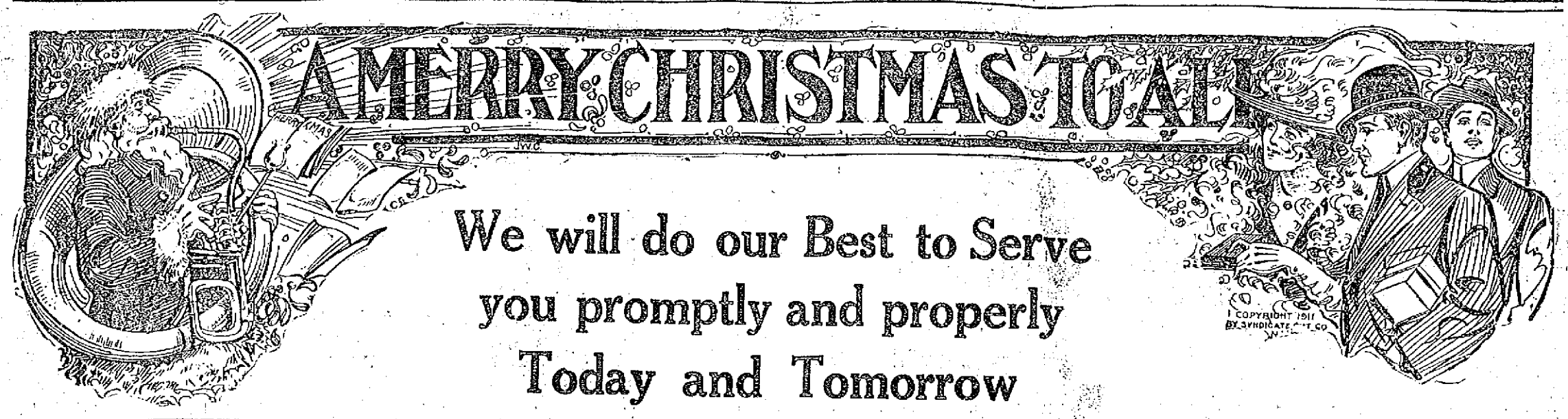
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WARREN STREET — MIDDLE STREET — CENTRAL STREET

The Bon Marche Dry Goods Co.



RUN OVER BY ROAD ROLLER HE DEMANDS DISCIPLINE

Sad Death of Flagman Overcome by Long Walk From Lowell to Lynn—Not Employed Here

LYNN, Dec. 23—After an 18-hour-long walk from Lowell to Lynn as flagman in advance of a slow-moving steam-roller, an unidentified Italian known only by the number on his pay check, fell from exhaustion in Market square, Lynn, when within a few yards of his destination yesterday afternoon and was crushed to death under the machine before it could be stopped.

The steam roller had completed the work on a contract in Lowell Sunday night and set out for another in Lynn. It was driven by Charles Mills of Meredith, N. H., and the nameless Italian trudged along ahead with a warning red flag.

As the machine lumbered on through the night the Italian to judge by his gestures to Mills, grew increasingly tired and by noon yesterday showed the effects of the tantalizingly slow pace. He staggered slightly as he walked through the streets of Lynn, but the engineer had no doubt he could finish the trip.

Then, in view of scores of people in Market square, the man suddenly collapsed and a cry went up as the heavy front roller of the machine passed over his body. He was so short a distance in front of the roller that Mills could not set the brake and check the machine.

The police arrested Mills on a charge of manslaughter. Both he and the victim were employed by Michael McDonough, a contractor.

NOT EMPLOYED IN LOWELL

It is believed that the contractor was employed on the state highway as no outside contractor has done any work of the kind for the city of Lowell.

Pres. Tener Says Only Person Who Can Preserve Order on Ball Field is Umpire

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Strict discipline on the baseball field is one of the things President John K. Tener of the National league will demand of his umpires, according to his secretary, David Leroy Reeves, with whom he has discussed the umpire problem.

The only person who can preserve order on the ball field is the umpire President Tener said and he added by way of emphasis that in matters of discretion and judgment where the umpire is not specifically guided by rule he should be supreme.

President Tener's idea of what the ideal arbiter should be was expressed as follows:

"I do not wish to be understood as meaning that an umpire should be a law unto himself; that his manner should be dictatorial, his attitude arrogant and his entire demeanor wear a self satisfied expression that would brook no argument. On the contrary I believe an umpire would be conciliatory but firm; positive but polite; quick but undemonstrative; strict but reasonable."

Regarding the disciplining of players the new president said that he was opposed to the general practice employed in meting out punishment to players for offenses committed on the field.

Gave All a Chance

He said:

"One of the cardinal principles of justice is that every man should have an opportunity to be heard, to present his side of the case. If a player is guilty of the charges submitted by the umpire and has no equitable or reasonable defence, the ends of justice and the morale of discipline can be served just as well by suspending the player three or four days after the violation has occurred and all the evidence has been made and investigated as by an immediate suspension following the report of the arbitrators.

"To my mind the club owner is the one who really suffers the most by a player's suspension. The player's absence weakens the team and in the end the clubowner is the real sufferer.

"There is no reason why such cases should not be considered in the most lenient attitude possible and by all means obtain the facts in the case from both sides before the player is punished by suspension."



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SHIRTS

Silk Shirt Special, boxed for holiday trade. New patterns, wonderful material. Price $3.00

NECKWEAR

In black silk and silk knitted. We have an English set, one tie to a pattern, absolutely exclusive. Christmas box, 25c to $3.50

HOSIERY

Silk Lisle, silk thread and pure silk. Black and color effects. Christmas box .....25c to $2.00

SCARFS

Plain and knitted silk, in black and harmony combinations. An ideal gift for the season. Christmas box, $1.00 to $5.00

DICKERMAN & McQUADE

Brazer's Corner Market and Central Sts.

Spend Christmas eve at Associate.

BIG SONG SERVICE

Washington Officials to Sing Out Old Year and Sing in New

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A big song service attended by the high officials of the government at which the old year will be sung out and the new year in, is to be held at the south end of the treasury department. The service is to be under the auspices of the local Christian Endeavor union. Officials expected to attend include Secretaries Garrison, Daniels and McAdoo; Speaker Clark, Senator Borah and Representatives Lloyd and Hobson. Services will be featured by brief megaphone addresses by members of the cabinet and the senate and house. A special choir of 1000 voices has been arranged for.

Miner's latest, Asso., Xmas eve.

Y. M. C. A. VICTORY

Continued

executive committee has shown great interest in the association, the building and the present campaign." Mr. Russell said he was in no mood for a speech—he was too happy.

Cheers for Mr. Pollard

At this point, A. G. Pollard was seen making for the door, and although strong efforts were made to hold him, he was finally allowed to go in the realization of the already large amount of time he had taken from his business to devote to the cause, at his busy season. He was given three rousing cheers, however.

Deacon A. D. Carter

Deacon A. D. Carter said that under no circumstances would the committee have left the building last night without having the debt cleared up. Mr. Carter contributed heavily at the first of the campaign, but he declared that he came to yesterday's meeting prepared to help out again if necessary.

Mr. A. G. Cumnock expressed his pleasure at having had a part in the good work so grandly accomplished. Mr. Cumnock told of the many brickbats thrown at the men in charge, but he declared, "every dollar spent in the building is right in the building and not a dollar missing." He urged a concerted effort by the men present to increase the membership of the association, that it should be put on a self-supporting basis. Later he made a motion that the men assembled, meet again in 12 months to observe the final discharge of all indebtedness. It was voted at once.

President Bowen Pleased

President F. A. Bowen expressed his heartfelt thanks for the work accomplished. At first, he admitted, the load to him seemed staggering and he could see nothing but years of burden ahead. But the campaign had relieved that and now he felt that the trial had been a blessing in disguise; that the association had benefited not only to the extent of the sum raised, but in moral influence in the community. He offered the thanks of the association to Messrs. Dunbar and Rogers for the legal services which had been given the committee without cost.

"Thank God and Press On" would now be the watchword, said Mr. Bowen.

Mr. Bowen here stated that one of his subscriptions, reported late, was from Arthur G. Cumnock, son of Agent Cumnock, who sent $100 from New York.

Thanks to Women's Auxiliary

Mrs. G. M. Randall, Miss Grace Ward, Mrs. W. H. Hoyt and Mrs. D. E. Yarnell were extended the thanks and appreciation of the body for their work during the campaign, as was every individual member of the Women's Auxiliary.

Frank E. Dunbar said that the result of the campaign was an expression of loyalty on the part of the citizens of Lowell to a worthy cause when presented to them in the right way.

Dr. Yarnell paid tribute to the office force associated with him in the general work of the Y. M. C. A., and declared that every one was happy to feel that he had done more than salary called for.

Franklin Nourse said he was too happy to think of anything but the salutation of "Tiny Tim" in Dickens' "Christmas Carol," "God bless everybody."

M. C. Williams, leader of the campaign, expressed his thanks that he was permitted to become comrade to the men of Lowell in the fight.

Mr. Flather was called upon, but he first announced the auditing committee which had been selected to look over the pledges, as follows: John F. Sawyer, Austin K. Chadwick and Charles L. Knapp.

Mr. Flather, in closing the meeting, refused to make a speech, confining his remarks to quoting from Lincoln's second inaugural address, "With malice toward none, but charity for all," as being a phrase especially appropriate for the ending of the Y. M. C. A. campaign for $75,000.

Capt. William P. White spoke about the campaign and association work.

Y. M. C. A. Extends Thanks

As members of the campaign organization of the Lowell Young Men's Christian association, we desire to record our profound gratitude to God for his favor and blessing, and also to express our special thanks to the following:

To the people, one and all, who have made this victory possible through their generosity;

To the pastors of the churches for public endorsement and cooperation and to all who assisted in public presentation of the association's needs;

To the press of the city for generous space and direct endorsement;

To Mr. B. F. Keith, through his Lowell agent, Mr. Frank Sherwood, for placing the campaign clock on the Runels building;

To the Bay State Street Railway Co. for placing the campaign appeal on its cars and to all business houses and corporations that accepted the boxes and subscription sheets and to all others who aided in carrying forward the enterprise;

To Mayor O'Donnell, to Hon. John L. Bates and all others for helpful messages at the opening dinner and at the campaign luncheons;

To Mr. M. C. Williams, the efficient campaign director, with his tried out plans and his unfailing optimism;

To the executive committee of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and its secretaries, Edward W. Hearne and Alfred O. Booth, for unfailing help through many months of preparation, as well as in the campaign;

To the officers and members of the Women's Auxiliary to the Lowell Young Men's Christian Association, for rare and unselfish devotion in serving the dinner and luncheons for the campaign, as well as for their generous subscription;

To Cushman's orchestra, which has furnished inspiring music for the luncheons and meetings.

In addition to his faithful work in these strenuous campaign days, one member in particular, of the executive committee, devoted unselfish service as a volunteer superintendent throughout the entire period of the construction of this magnificent building. In recognition of his rare devotion to the needs of this association throughout these years, I move a vote of thanks to Mr. Franklin Nourse.

To A. G. Cumnock, whose indomitable courage and persistence accomplished so much for the success of this campaign.

Voted, that our cordial thanks and appreciation be extended to the man whose leadership and inspiration contributed so largely to the success of the campaign of 1903; who again, in the construction of the building, bore a leading part, giving unstintedly of his time and strength to the work, toiling faithfully through storm and sunshine, through good report and evil report, meeting and surmounting difficulties little realized by the community, conscious of criticism but sure of the approval at least of his own conscience and never faltering until his arduous mission was completed, and who once more has responded to the call of those glad to follow him, giving, as always, service and resources beyond reasonable expectation in a task formidable to contemplate and all the more glorious in its successful achievement.

Frederick A. Flather is the man.

MUSTEROLE The Great Remedy for Rheumatism

It stops the twinges, loosens up those stiffened joints and muscles—makes you feel good all over.

Thousands who use MUSTEROLE will tell what relief it gives from Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Tonsilitis, Croup, Stiff Neck, Asthma, Neuralgia, Headache, Congestion, Pleurisy, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Pains and Aches of the Back or Joints, Sprains, Sore Muscles, Bruises, Chilblains, Frosted Feet and Colds (it prevents Pneumonia).

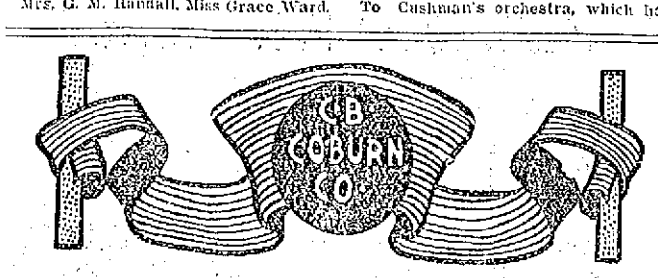
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Doctors and nurses frankly recommend MUSTEROLE as a substitute for the old messy mustard plaster. Large hospitals use it.

At your druggist's, in 25c and 50c jars, a special large hospital size for $2.50.

Accept no substitute. If your druggist cannot supply you, send 25c or 50c to the MUSTEROLE Company, Cleveland, Ohio, and we will mail you a jar, postage prepaid. (61)

Joseph F. Swords, Sulphur, Okla., says: "Your Musterole is very efficacious. It has done away with my rheumatic pains and aches in a wonderfully short space of time."



XMAS TREE CANDLES

STORE OPEN TONIGHT

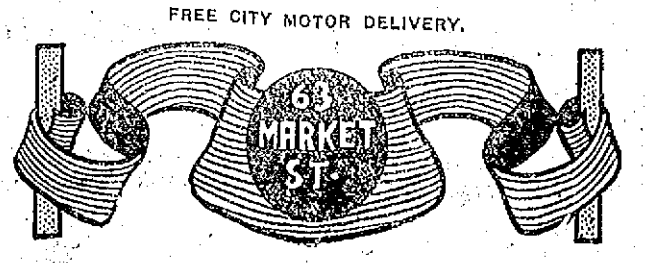
Spiral Candles in assorted colors, 4 1-2 inches long, 24 to a box, 10c
Spiral Candles in assorted colors, 3 1-2 inches long, 36 to a box, 10c
Gold Ball Tree Candle Holders.....doz. 15c
Tack Holders for Tree Candles.....doz. 5c

TO MAKE THE TREE SPARKLE

Diamond Dust, oz.....5c White Frosting, oz.....5c

....The Raffia demonstration has been found to be so popular—it was decided late Saturday to continue it throughout this week. Mrs. Smith has some new novelties to show you.

FREE CITY MOTOR DELIVERY.



The D. S. O'Brien Co. Label on a CHRISTMAS GIFT Assures Quality and Style



Christmas Neckwear for Men

Neckwear is the last Christmas thought. After you've puzzled over and debated, and are still undecided, you hit upon the thought: Well, he CAN use another tie.

You can't go wrong on a tie—if bought at O'Brien's. No man has too many, and the new ones this season are SO different. Yes, look over the Ties at O'Brien's.

Silk Neckwear in the narrow fold or the fashionable full flowing end shapes—in plain shades, and rich designs of foreign and domestic silks. 35c, 50c, 65c, $1, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50

Knitted and Crocheted Silk Neckwear, in plain shades and two and three-tone stripe combinations—large shapes and the new imperials. 50c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50

Silk Neckwear and Hose, to match, 50c, $1.00

Silk Neckwear, Hose and Handkerchief, $1.00, $1.50

D. S. O'BRIEN CO.
THE SMART CLOTHES SHOP
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N. Y. BROKER ARRESTED

EDWARDS ACCUSED IN CONNECTION WITH STERLING DEBENTURE CO. SUIT

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—William E. Edwards, junior member of a Broadway brokerage firm, was arrested yesterday in connection with the federal suit pending against officers of the Sterling Debenture company and the Oxford Linen Mills company, who are accused of using the mails in an alleged conspiracy to defraud investors of the Oxford company, which has mills at Brookfield, Mass. Edwards was once treasurer of the Sterling company. He furnished bail of $4000 before United States Judge Hunt and was released.

Edwards was taken into custody after an indictment had been returned, designed to include him, superseding the original true bill brought a year ago against George H. Middlebrook; president of the Sterling company; Benjamin C. Mudge, an inventor; Frank W. Winchell, president of the Oxford company, and five others. The superseding indictment alleges that the defendants, through fraudulent representations, disposed of stock of the Oxford company and subsidiaries to the amount of $1,500,000. Edwards, according to the indictment, left the Sterling company, a stock-selling concern and became a member of a brokerage firm, in order to buy and boom the Oxford stock.

The trial of this case, it was announced yesterday, will be begun next Monday.

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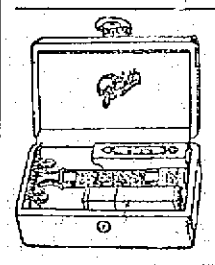
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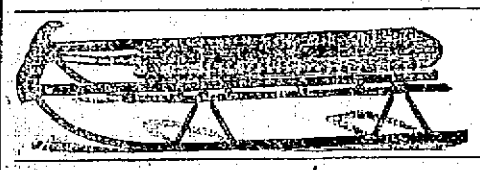


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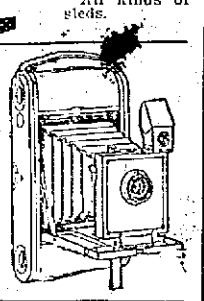
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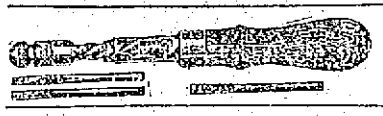
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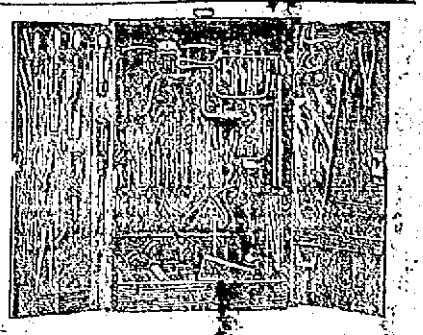
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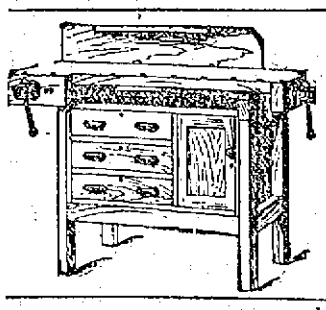
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WELLESLEY'S PRETTIEST GIRL ALSO PUTS BAN ON SLIT SKIRTS AND DOUBTS SUFFRAGE VALUE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The prettiest girl in Wellesley does not believe in slit skirts, suffragettes, the tango, the turkey trot or "chocolate munching matinee girls."

The prettiest girl, also known as Miss Maude O. Minehan, said all this yesterday at her home, 500 West One Hundred and Twenty-first street, just after she got home from a Christmas shopping tour.

"Really, I'm not the prettiest girl in Wellesley," she said, while her flashing gold-brown eyes and her tumbled chestnut hair belied her words. "There are a dozen girls more attractive than I am.

"The Wellesley girls are different from lots of others," she went on. "The girls here in New York seem to have gone crazy. We don't tango or turkey trot. What's the sense in waddling around in a turkey trot when you can enjoy a waltz?"

"Do you approve of the slit skirt?"

"I don't like it because it's ugly," she said, briskly. "It isn't a question of the moral of the thing—it's positively ugly. The new draped skirts are graceful, but those other things are horrible."

"How about woman suffrage?"

"Well, maybe the women who pay big taxes ought to vote. But it doesn't interest me very much. What right have a lot of chocolate-munching matinee girls got to vote? What do they know about it?"

SEVERAL EXAMINATIONS

TO BE HELD JANUARY 7 BY THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IN LOWELL

The following civil service examinations will be held on January 7 in this city:

Anatomist, (male), to fill vacancy in the Army Medical Museum, office of the surgeon general, salary, $1600 per annum.

Laboratory assistant in physics, (male), to fill vacancies in the bureau of mines, salary, $900 to $1200 per annum.

Seed warehouseman, (male), to fill vacancy in the bureau of plant industry, department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., salary, $1200 to $1600 per annum.

Sanitary bacteriologist, (male), to fill several vacancies in the public health service for duty in the hygienic laboratory, Washington, D. C., salary $1500 per annum.

THIRD HUSBAND KILLS SECOND

Los Angeles Man Says Slaying of Boer War Vet Was Self Defence

Victim Was Shot On the Visit to Former Wife and Children

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 23.—The killing of Daniel De Villiers by Roy L. Glover yesterday is puzzling the police. Glover shot De Villiers in the doorway of the Glover house.

De Villiers came here several days ago from San Antonio, Tex. Glover, a wealthy land agent, came here two months ago with his wife and two children. From the little the police have been able to learn from Glover and Mrs. Glover, the woman formerly was the wife of De Villiers and he was the father of the two children. Mrs. Glover secured a divorce from De Villiers and married Glover in October. She and Glover asserted that De Villiers appeared at their house and that Glover shot him in self defense.

The police assert that De Villiers was shot while trying to see Mrs. Glover and that his children entered the room in time to see their father die.

Mrs. Glover said De Villiers was a saloon keeper, who induced her to elope from the home of her father and marry him. Thereafter she asserted, according to a statement by her attorney, De Villiers lived on an allowance provided by her father, H. G. Campbell, a New York broker, who is now in Europe.

The police have learned that when Mrs. Glover was divorced from De Villiers she was awarded custody of the children, David, aged 4 and Margaret, aged 6, but no information could be obtained relative to her marriage to Glover, which she said occurred last October just before Glover came here.

WOMAN IN CASE DAUGHTER OF N. Y. BROKER AND WAS THRICE MARRIED

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Roy L. Glover, divorced wife of Daniel de Villiers, whom de Villiers was trying to see when her husband shot and killed him in Los Angeles yesterday, is the daughter of H. G. Campbell, a wealthy Wall street broker. She married de Villiers in this city in 1907 after her divorce from a man named Lewis of Paterson, N. J.

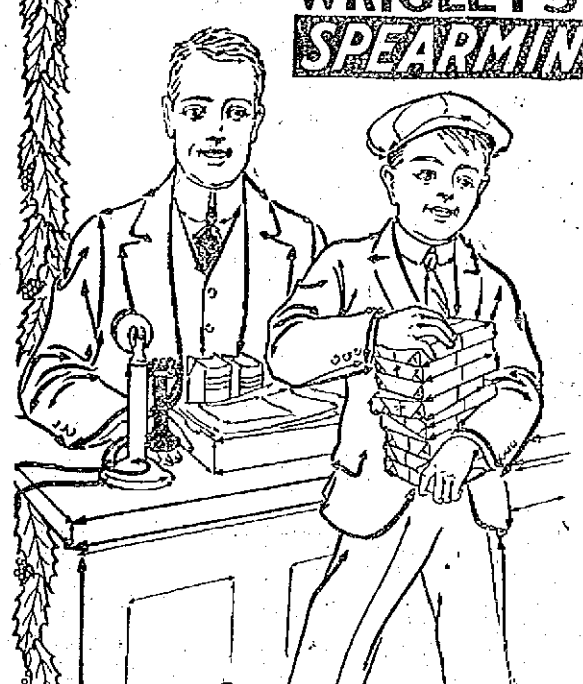
The de Villiers then went to Cotulla, Tex., where de Villiers had bought a small ranch. Mrs. de Villiers obtained a divorce from her husband in San Antonio in 1911. It is said, however, that after this divorce Mr. de Villiers assisted her former husband financially in his alleged activities against President Madero of Mexico, which led to de Villiers' arrest in El Paso.

Daniel de Villiers came of a Cape Colony family, several members of which have been knighted. During the Boer war he commanded scouts attached to a Boer column operating in West Griqualand and the Orange Free state. He came to this country in 1904 with a contingent of Afrikanders and English who appeared in the Boer war show at the St. Louis exposition. Most of his youth was spent along the Zambesi river as a hunter of big game, where at one time he was attached to the staff of Frederick Courtney Selous, the famous hunter, who was a member of Theodore Roosevelt's hunting party in Africa in 1909. In 1912 de Villiers was identified with the campaign of Gov. Oscar Colquitt of Texas.

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The remains of Frank H. Rand, a former resident of this city, and one who was favorably known all over the state, were tenderly consigned to their last resting place yesterday afternoon, in the Lowell cemetery.

Deceased had been bursar and assistant treasurer of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for several years, and his departure will be deeply felt by both the officials and students of this institution. His funeral took place yesterday afternoon from his home, 1574 Beacon street, Boston, and the cortege proceeded to this city, where funeral services was conducted in the chapel of the Lowell cemetery by Rev. C. A. Lincoln.

The attendance was very large, for many friends and relatives of deceased wished to pay him a last tribute by reciting a last prayer at the grave. Another mark of the popularity of deceased was the many floral offerings placed on the grave.

The bearers were representatives of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, with which Mr. Rand was so long connected. Burial was in the family lot, in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

RESIDENTS OF DRACUT

HELD SPECIAL MEETING AT GRANGE HALL TO REPLENISH THE TREASURY

The residents of Dracut met in special meeting last night at Grange hall in the Centre for the purpose of making transfers from the general treasury fund to other departments, where appropriations had become depleted.

The meeting was largely attended and George H. Stevens was chosen moderator, and after opening the meeting he read the warrant. Chairman Garland enumerated the several departments requiring additional appropriations and stated that the estimated amount of depletion was $3,000, and the departments mentioned as being short were charities, election and registration, lighting inspection of meats, police and tax collecting.

The charity department was given $1000; the contagious disease fund was voted $360; election and registration department, $200; street lighting department, $453.82; inspection of meats department, $300; police department, $98; tax collector's department, $600.

Chairman H. Linscott of the school committee stated that certain expected revenues to previous school appropriations had been cut off this year and consequently the present year's school appropriation had been shortened. The amount of shortage was estimated by the chairman at $1031, and this amount was voted transferred to meet the depletion.

PITCHER DICKSON RELEASED

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Walter R. Dickson of Greenville, Tex., pitcher of the Boston Nationals for the past two years, was released yesterday to the Rochester team of the International league. The Boston team has 17 pitching candidates left.

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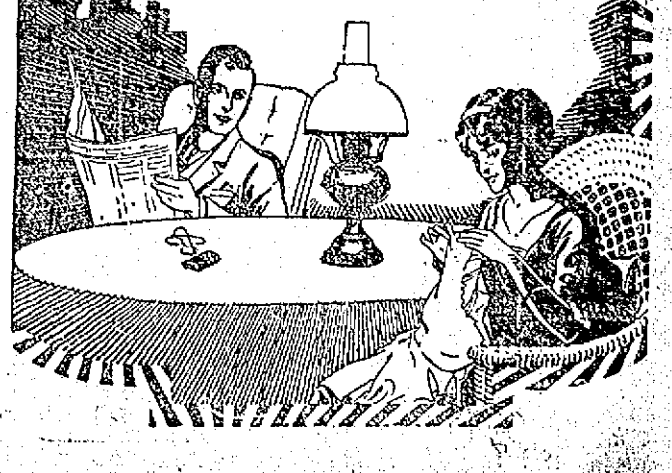
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CURRENCY BILL REMODELS BANKING

One of the Most Far-Reaching Measures Relating to Finance That Has Been Enacted in Many Years

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The new bill affecting the currency, banking and finances of the country, which has now been passed by both branches of congress and goes before President Wilson for his signature, is one of the most far-reaching measures relating to finance that has been enacted in many years. The magnitude of the subject, the diversity of interests affected, and the length of the debates in both branches of congress, has made it difficult for the ordinary observer to follow the changes and grasp the essentials of this highly technical measure in its important bearings on money, finance, banking and the entire range of fiscal subjects, public and private, which it affects. With a view, therefore, of presenting succinctly and in non-technical language, an epitome of the salient features of the measure as finally framed, the following summary is given of the bill as a whole and of its principal details.

Generally speaking, the first steps to be taken to bring into operation the nation's new financial system will be through an organization committee of three members to be named soon by President Wilson. Banks have 60 days within which to file their applications for membership in the new system; and one year's time is allowed before the government will compel the dissolution of any national bank that refuses to join.

New Federal Currency

The new law will make little direct change in the operation of the present national banks, except to allow them to loan a certain amount of their funds upon farm mortgages. Its chief purpose is to add a new piece of machinery to the banking system that will "take up the slack" during the changing business conditions of each year; that will give the banks a place to quickly convert their assets into cash in time of need, and that will bring out new federal currency when it is needed, and retire it when money becomes "cheap."

Banks are now required to keep a certain percentage of their deposits as "reserves," part in cash in their own vaults and part of which may be redeposited in the banks of New York, Chicago, St. Louis and other designated cities. In times of sudden financial demands, when banks have loaned up to the full limit of their resources, these reserves furnish little relief, because if they are paid out to meet demands, the banks are left in a precarious condition.

The basic principle of the new law is to get these reserve funds out into circulation when necessary, without lessening the safety of any bank; and to provide a place to which local banks may rush in a crisis and get cash for the "prize commercial paper" they hold in their vaults.

Regional Reserve Banks

This is to be accomplished through a chain of regional reserve banks, or "reservoirs of reserves," in which all banks shall deposit a stated part of the money they are required to hold as reserves. Under the new system, when a financial flurry comes, the banks can take commercial paper, such as notes, drafts and bills of exchange, to these "reservoirs," and secure the use of their own reserves, or if necessary even the reserve of other banks, by depositing this security.

The new regional banks will receive about one-half of the bank reserves of the country. They, in turn, will be permitted to loan back to the banks all but 35 per cent. of these reserves, so that in case of emergency, millions of cash can be brought out into circulation quickly. The banks will have to pay for these loans, however, as individuals have to pay for a loan from any local bank; and this charge is expected to prevent the too free use of the reserves held by the regional banks.

A new form of paper currency is also provided for, to come out in case of emergency, and which is expected to go back into the hands of the government when times are normal. These "treasury notes" will be printed by the government, and issued through each regional reserve bank, and will bear the guarantee both of the regional bank and the government.

If the demand for currency in any section of the country exceeds the supply of circulating money, a Regional bank can secure this new money from the government and put it into circulation; but a gold reserve of 40 per cent., and commercial paper equal to the full value of the note, must be held as a reserve behind each note so issued. This provision is expected to be the influence that will drive the new money back into retirement when it is no longer needed.

Details of New Law

The following analysis presents the details of the new law without adhering closely to the technical division or language of the measure.

At the head of the system will stand a federal reserve board at Washington, appointed by the president, and to consist of the secretary of the treasury and six other members. Two of these shall be expert bankers, but none shall have banking affiliations or own bank stock during their service. This board will exercise general control over the entire system.

The temporary "organization committee," or the federal reserve board, will select from eight to twelve cities where regional reserve banks shall be located, and will divide the entire country geographicaly with these cities as the centers of districts. All National banks in a district will be required to subscribe for the stock of the regional reserve bank in that district, and to keep a portion of their reserves there.

Local banks will be known as "member-banks," because they will own the stock of the regional reserve bank of their district. Each member-bank will be required to take capital stock of the regional reserve bank, equal to 6 per cent. of the member bank's capital and surplus. The capital of the regional bank will increase or decrease so that it always represents 6 per cent. of the combined capital and surplus of all the banks of the district that have joined the system.

National Examinations

National banks are compelled to join, and state banks are permitted to if they bring their reserve requirements up to the standard set for national banks, and submit to national examinations.

Public ownership of the stock of the regional reserve banks is permitted only in case enough banks do not join in any district to provide a capital stock of $2,000,000. In such event the public may purchase the stock in quantities limited to $10,000 for each individual; but the voting of this stock will be placed in the hands of government's representatives on the board of directors of the regional reserve bank.

The regional reserve banks may do business only with their member-banks, not with the public, except that certain "open-market operations" such as the purchase and sale of gold, government or municipal bonds, and certain forms of bills of exchange, are permitted. These banks will make their earnings from the loans made to member banks, and from the purchase and sale of bonds and foreign and domestic bills of exchange.

Member-banks will be compelled to put up in cash only one-half of their subscription to the capital of the new banks; the rest can be called for if needed by the Regional bank. Dividends of 6 per cent. will be paid on this stock to the member-banks, and the stock will be non-taxable. After these dividends are paid, one-half of the surplus net earnings goes to create a regional surplus fund, and when this has reached 40 per cent. of the regional bank's paid-in capital, these earnings are to go into the United States treasury. The balance of the net earnings are to be divided between the payment of a United States franchise tax, and the creation of a fund to guarantee the payment of depositors in member-banks that may fail.

Two Years to Make Shifts

With the machinery thus created for a new banking system that is supplementary to the commercial banks of the country, the law provides for a gradual transfer of part of the bank reserves to these new "reservoir" banks. In order not to disturb business conditions, or to withdraw too suddenly the heavy deposits of country banks in the large cities, the law provides that two years may be consumed in shifting these balances, and that if necessary, part of the reserves transferred to the regional banks may consist of commercial paper.

The amount of reserve required from every bank under the new law, and the place where it must be kept, are as follows:

Country banks: Total reserve required, 12 per cent. of demand deposits and five per cent. of time deposits. Four-twelfths must be held in the bank's own vaults; two-twelfths in the regional reserve bank for the first six months increasing one-twelfth each six months until it reaches five-twelfths. After two years the remaining three-twelfths of the reserve must be kept either in the country bank's vaults, or in the regional reserve bank.

Reserve City Banks

Reserve city banks: Total reserve required, 15 per cent. of demand, and five per cent. of time deposits. Six-fifteenths must be kept in the bank's own vaults; three fifteenths in the regional reserve bank for the first six months, increasing one one-fifteenth each six months until it reaches six fifteenths. After two years, the remaining three-fifteenths of the reserve must be kept either in the bank's own vaults or in the regional reserve bank.

Central reserve city banks (New York, Chicago and St. Louis:) Total reserve required, 18 per cent. of demand, and five per cent. of time deposits. Six-eighteenths must be kept in the bank's own vaults; three-eighteenths in the Regional Reserve bank for the first six months, and six-eighteenths thereafter. After six months the remaining six-eighteenths may be kept in the bank's own vaults, or in the Regional Reserve bank.

These immense funds of reserves from "member-banks," together with government moneys, will make up the deposits of the Regional Reserve banks. Each of these banks will be administered by a board of nine directors, six of whom will be elected by the banks, and three appointed by the federal reserve board.

The Regional Reserve banks may rediscount—that is, buy at a discount from its member banks—"prime commercial paper," when the member-banks desire to convert these assets into money. The exact terms of this important provision as to the character of paper upon which the Regional Reserve banks may furnish cash are as follows:

Commercial Transactions

"Upon the indorsement of any of its member banks, with a waiver of demand notice and protest by such bank, any Federal (Regional) Reserve bank may discount notes, drafts and bills of exchange arising out of actual commercial transactions; that is, notes, drafts, and bills of exchange issued or drawn for agricultural, industrial or commercial purposes, or the proceeds of which have been used, or are to be used, for such purposes the Federal Reserve board to have the right to determine or define the character of the paper thus eligible for discount, within the meaning of this act.

"Nothing in this act contained shall be construed to prohibit such notes, drafts and bills of exchange, secured by staple agricultural products, or other goods, wares or merchandise from being eligible for such discount; but such definition shall not include notes, drafts or bills covering merely investments or issued or drawn for the purpose of carrying or trading in stocks, bonds or other investment securities, except bonds and notes of the government of the United States.

"Notes, drafts and bills admitted to discount under the terms of this paragraph must have a maturity at the time of discount of not more than 90 days: Provided, that notes, drafts and bills drawn or issued for agricultural purposes or based on live stock and having a maturity not exceeding six months, may be discounted in an amount to be limited to a percentage of the capital of the Federal (Regional) Reserve bank, to be ascertained and fixed by the federal reserve board."

Discounts by Regional Banks

The Regional banks may also discount "acceptances based on the importation or exportation or domestic shipments of goods."

The new treasury notes, which are to furnish the "elastic" element in the currency system, and to add to the country's circulating money in time of need, will come into use in the following way:

The notes will be printed by the government, with a distinctive style for each Regional Reserve bank. One of the three directors named by the federal reserve board for each Regional bank will be known as the "Federal Reserve Agent" for that bank, and a supply of the notes will be placed in his custody.

Should a Regional bank desire to pay out more money than its cash resources will permit, the law provides that it may put some of its rediscounted commercial paper into the hands of the "Federal Reserve Agent," and receive in return the new treasury notes. For each note that it puts out into circulation, the Regional Reserve bank must set aside in gold 40 per cent of the value of the note, as a guarantee for its redemption. This gold, with the commercial paper held by the "Federal Reserve Agent," is the protection behind the new money, but these notes will also be guaranteed by the government, and may be redeemed in gold at the United States treasury.

Must Keep 30 Per Cent Reserve

Each Regional bank, under the act, must keep a reserve of 35 per cent of the deposits it has received, besides the 40 per cent gold reserve behind the treasury notes it issues. If the gold reserve behind the notes falls below 40 per cent, a heavy tax is imposed on the bank, which in turn adds the tax to the rate it charges member banks for rediscounts. This was designed to stop an over-expansion of currency. In times of sudden stress, the federal reserve board can suspend these reserve provisions, in order to furnish quick relief to any community.

One Regional bank cannot again pay out the notes of another, except under a heavy tax. These notes are expected to return to the Regional banks and be withdrawn from circulation when the need for their use passes.

None of the existing forms of paper currency will be disturbed by the new law. Provision is made, however, that the government two per cent bonds, upon which national banks now secure the issue of their "bank notes," may be purchased by the government at par through the Regional banks. This provision is expected to result in the gradual retirement of most of the national bank currency.

The federal reserve board will exercise final control over the entire operation of the system. It can compel one regional bank to loan to another in time of need; can authorize banks to use the treasury notes or even national bank notes as part of their legal reserves; can suspend all restrictions surrounding the reserves which Regional banks must hold; and can remove directors of Regional Reserve banks whenever it is believed necessary.

While the banks retain control of the boards of the Regional Reserve banks, their connection with the federal reserve board is only through an advisory council, made up of one representative from each federal reserve district. This council will meet in Washington, to confer with the federal reserve board "on general business conditions," and to make recommendations and suggestions concerning discount rates, note issues and reserve conditions.

An important change in national banking methods, embraced in the new law, will permit all national banks except those in New York, Chicago and St. Louis, to make direct loans on five-year farm mortgages, up to 25 per cent of their capital and surplus, or up to one-third of their time deposits. Another provision in the law permits national banks having a capital of $1,000,000 or more, to open foreign branches. Similar authority is given to the Regional Reserve banks, the purpose being to facilitate the development of American trade abroad.



Secretary McADOO
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Secretary of the Treasury William G. McAdoo becomes one of the most powerful men in the financial world through the provisions of the new currency act, which makes him virtually the chairman of the federal reserve board. This board will have absolute control of the national banks of the country. It consists of seven members, all but two of whom are appointed by the president.

"OLD GRIST MILL" BURNED

BURLINGTON, Vt., Dec. 23.—The "Old grist mill," built nearly a century ago, was burned last night. A loss estimated at $40,000 was caused by fire and water. The plants of the Perfection Flouring Company, Perfection Overgaiter company and Burlington Traction company were damaged.

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Emerson Upt.....$65	Chickering Upt.....$73	Merrill Upt.....$105
Wm. Bourne Piano.....$65	Knabe Upt.....$80	Everett Upt.....$110
H. P. Miller Upt.....$79	Ivers & Pond Upt.....$80	Vose $115
Webber Upt.....$84	Mason & Hamlin Upt.....$92	Haynes Upt.....$175
Shumann & Sons Upt....$150	Hallet & Davis Upt.....$100	Jacob Doll Upt.....$250

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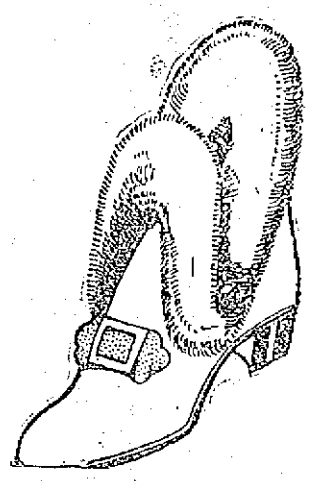
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Once more do our buyers show that they are "Johnny on the spot." Realizing that with only two days before Christmas the wholesalers would have to dispose of their Christmas goods at any price, they went "a marketing." And they brought back values that the "put it offs" seldom enjoy. However the lots are not large, so don't put it off until Wednesday night. Come today or this evening. Some of the lots we advertise below our cash store prices; other lots were too small to put in the paper.

GIFTS GIFTS GIFTS GIFTS GIFTS



WOMEN'S $1.00 TO $1.25 HOLIDAY SLIPPERS AT 69c—Plain and Fancy Felt Juliette, fur trimmed or ribbon, in black, tan, red, blue, green and wine.

GIRLS' $1.00 CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS AT 49c—Red Felt Juliettes, fur trimmed, all sizes up to 2.

WOMEN'S 75c WARM SLIPPERS AT 49c—Felt Slippers with ribbon trimming, and crocheted slippers in all colors.

CHILDREN'S 75c SLIPPERS AT 49c—Felt Juliettes, with fur trimming, all sizes.

MEN'S AND BOYS' $1.50 MOCCASINS AT $1.25—Tan soft elk-skin moccasins, in all sizes.

MEN'S $1.50 SLIPPERS AT 98c—Black and tan kidskin, in Opera, Everett and Romeo styles, in all sizes.

EXTRA SPECIAL—50c COMBINATION SETS AT 29c—Combination Sets, in fancy boxes, consisting of Suspenders and Garters and Arm Band and Garters, in silk and silk lisle, in all colors—new fresh stock.

$1.00 NEW NECKWEAR 59c—15 dozen of Ladies' Neckwear, consisting of jabots and stock collars, in different styles, made of the choicest laces and nets, trimmed with a little color; big value, all pure, new goods.

$1.00 NEW RUFFLE WAISTS 59c—10 dozen waists, made low neck and long sleeves, of a fine material, with a large ruffle front in all sizes; each one put up in a Xmas box.

CHILDREN'S $2.00 RAIN CAPES $1.39 EACH—5 dozen Children's Capes, in red and blue, sizes 6 to 14, made of a fine sateen, all warranted.

$1.50 VALUE LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS AT $1.15 BOX—Ladies' initial embroidered handkerchiefs, pure linen, 6 in a fancy box. Bargainland.

LADIES' $1.00 HANDKERCHIEFS AT 69c A BOX—Ladies' embroidered handkerchiefs, 6 in fancy box. Bargainland.

$2.00 LONG KIMONOS AT $1.69—Ladies' long flannelette kimonos, nicely trimmed with plain satin to match, put up in Xmas box. Bargainland.

$2.00 NIGHT GOWNS AT $1.69—Ladies' night gowns, made of nainsook, shadow lace and baby hamburg trimmed. Combinations to match. Xmas box. Bargainland.

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43-45-47-49 MARKET STREET

FOR LATE LOCAL AND TELEGRAPH NEWS SEE LATER EDITIONS

From Yesterday's Late Editions

FOR REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING STOCK MARKET SEE LATER EDITIONS

GORHAM STREET JOB IS FINISHED

There is no happier lot today than the residents and business people of Gorham street, and particularly the latter, for at last the famous job on repairing Gorham street and laying in a sewer and other miscellaneous jobs which have been going on in that busy thoroughfare, are completed, and for the first time this morning since last June, both tracks of the Bay State Street Railway Co. were opened for traffic.

On June 12 last a portion of the street was ripped up for the lowering of a sewer. This was a rather large enterprise and it was a long time before it was completed. However, the men had no sooner left the premises, than the water department gang came along and of course more digging was done for the water main had to be repaired. While this was going on the street, or a portion of it was closed to vehicles and only one track of the electric car company was used, which meant a considerable decrease in the car traffic.

The business men were just about to protest against all these repairs being done at the same time, and the residents of the street were on the verge of telling the city officials that enough of that work had been done, when in comes the men of the street department, armed with picks, shovels and other tools necessary to do a good job on the surface of the street. They were set to work between Elm street and Davis square and for the third time half of the street was closed. Bad weather interfered and the result was that the men were kept on the job until Saturday.

This morning it was expected that some other department would have some digging in the street, but such was not the case, however, and the residents of Gorham street as well as the business men were handed a Christmas present in the form of a nice piece of smooth pavement. Nevertheless Gorham street is scheduled for another big enterprise for it is planned to repair that end of the road near Moore street, but this will not be done this year.

BANK IS CLOSED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—The Bank of London and Mexico closed its doors today.

Today's suspension was not due to lack of assets, but to the scarcity of currency. Silver and gold have been both long scarce in the country and recently state bank bills have been refused except in the states where they were issued.

The London and Mexico bank has been embarrassed more than have other concerns because it has been accepting deposits while the other had been refusing them.

The depositing public, made nervous by the ugly outlook of the banking situation generally, began on Wednesday last week to withdraw money.

It is claimed today on behalf of the London and Mexico bank that it could meet the demands on it from its reserve, but it is pointed out that this would be impracticable as it would imperil the standing of its bank notes.

A small crowd of depositors gathered in front of the doors of the bank today but was orderly.

IRISH NAT'L FORESTERS

HELD LARGE MEETING YESTERDAY AND ELECTED OFFICERS FOR YEAR

A largely attended meeting of Branch O'Neil Crowley, Irish National Foresters, was held in Leather Workers' hall yesterday afternoon with Chief Ranger James Cryan in the chair. There was a class of 35 new members initiated as a result of the activity in the competition for the flag offered by Grand Chief Ranger Joyce of Boston. New officers were also elected for the year, the list being as follows:

James Cryan, chief ranger; Thomas Linehan, sub chief ranger; James W. McKenna, treasurer; Thomas Nevins, financial secretary; Robert Gill, assistant secretary; Thomas Slattery, senior woodward; Hugh McQuade, junior woodward; Michael Newton, senior beadle; Thomas Horan, junior beadle; Dr. J. J. Cassidy, physician; Messrs. Patrick Sexton, Thomas Horgan and Timothy Daly, trustees.

Arrangements have been made by this branch to organize a drum corps. The instruments have been purchased and a first class drum corps to form the nucleus of a band will be selected from the members. At the meeting yesterday the quarterly reports were read and showed the branch to be in excellent standing both as to membership and finances.

CALLED PRINCIPAL "SNOOKUMS"

MORAN, Kan., Dec. 22.—For a high school girl to call the principal "Snookums" and "Daddy" and to refer to her history instructor as "Pet," is contemptuous but the school board is the court of last resort in such a case and its acts are not subject to judicial review, according to a decision rendered here today by Judge Foust in the district court dismissing a suit brought to enjoin the schoolboard from suspending Miss Vivian Varner from attendance in the Moran high school. Testimony was given to show that Miss Varner had referred to Principal Wright and to one of the teachers with the appellations Judge Foust finds contemptuous. Miss Varner was suspended and her father appealed to the court.

HUB MAYORALTY

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—A third candidate was eliminated from the mayoralty contest today when John R. Murphy notified his supporters that he had decided to withdraw. Mayor Fitzgerald has already withdrawn because of ill health and Ernest E. Smith's nomination papers lack the required number of signers.

Mr. Murphy said that he decided to quit because of changed conditions. He said he had made no trade with other candidates and that he would take no part in the contest.

MOTHER AND SON KILLED

CALAIS, Me., Dec. 22.—Mrs. John Ahearn, a widow of Baileyville, and her 12 year old son Daniel, while driving to the city today to do their Christmas shopping, were struck by a Maine Central passenger train on a crossing at Baring and killed. Mrs. Ahearn's skull was crushed and death followed immediately. The son lived a few minutes after being picked up.

FEDERAL VICTORY

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—Federal successes at Tepic and Mazatlan, both on the Pacific coast, are reported in official advices received here today. The rebels are said to have been severely punished in a fight with the federal troops eight miles from Tepic, while the federal forces which had been besieged at Mazatlan for many weeks are said to have assumed the aggressive and to be forcing the rebels backward Culiean in Sinaloa.

FOREIGN EXHIBITORS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Commissioner Ewing urged the house patents committee today to recommend passage of the Bulkeley bill to restrict guarantees to foreign exhibitors at the San Francisco exposition under the Kahn act.

FUNERALS

MEEHAN—The funeral of the late Patrick Meehan took place this morning from his late home, 228 Worthen street, and was very largely attended. Solemn high funeral mass was celebrated in St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. The celebrant was Rev. James Queenan of Concord, N. H., a nephew of the deceased, assisted by Rev. Timothy Callahan as deacon and Rev. John Kerrigan as subdeacon. The requiem mass was the plain chant, Gregorian, which is used on unusually solemn occasions, and the choir under the direction of Organist Johnson was specially augmented for the occasion by singers from the other church choirs of the city. After the elevation, Mr. George Kerwin sang "O Meritum Passionis."

Throughout the mass Rt. Rev. Monsignor O'Brien sat in his official place within the sanctuary. Many other clergymen were present, including the following: Rev. John Flynn and T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I., of the Sacred Heart church, Fr. Joseph Curtin of St. Patrick's and Rev. Thomas Redden of Wilton, N. H.

The prayers at the grave were recited by Rev. Fr. Queenan, assisted by Rev. Frs. Redden and Callagan. Higgins Bros. had charge of the funeral.

The ushers at the house and church were the following: Dr. Charles M. Roughan, Dr. John H. Donovan, Dr. Fred P. Murphy and Dr. Frank R. Brady.

The bearers were James Cryan, Henry Keyes, Owen Coleman, Daniel Donovan, Patrick Regan and Owen Cassidy.

Among those from out of town who were present at the funeral were the following: Mr. and Mrs. James H. Meehan, Master Henry Meehan and Miss Virginia Meehan of Newport News, Va., Mr. Joseph P. Meehan of Washington, D. C., Mr. Michael Meehan and Mr. Jas. Meehan of North Adams, Mass., Miss Margaret Coleman of Providence, R. I., Misses Mary and Kate Mulvanity of Nashua, N. H., Misses Lillian and Esther Dwyer of Holliston, Mass., Mr. Edward Cogan of Newport, R. I., Mr. Patrick Harnan and wife of Lawrence, Miss Julia Murphy and Mr. Peter Murphy of Ayer, Rev. James H. Queenan of Concord, N. H., Rev. Maurice Redding of Peterboro, N. H., and Rev. Thomas Redden of Wilton, N. H.

The following beautiful floral tributes were noted: Pillow inscribed "Father" from the family; mound, "Grandpa," Baby Kirwin, Henry and Virginia Meehan. Other tributes bore the names of J. J. Mullaney and family, Michael Mullaney, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Connor, Gorman family, Riordan family, Courser family, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Monahan, Mrs. Bridget Lynch and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Regan, Margaret and Mary Connors, Miss Rose Dowd, Miss Mary Seery, Horan family, Keefe family, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Coupe, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Bailey, Frank J. Maguire, James J. Brown, Mrs. Redliker and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Young, Shanahan family, Walter Queenan, D'Amour family, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Ambrose, Col and Mrs. J. H. Carmichael, McDermott family, Miss Esther Green, Miss Mary R. Marren, McGauvran family, Mrs. Ellen Kirwin and family, Mrs. Frank Meehan and son, Miskell family, Mr. John W. Kernan, Mr. and Mrs. William Aubertine, Mr. John Kettell, Mrs. McQueenan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Murphy, Mrs. E. J. Little, Mrs. Meaney and Miss Lillian Mullaney.

Spiritual offerings were received from the following: Mrs. E. J. Kirwin, Mr. and Mrs. R. Murphy, Mrs. Winifred Higgins and family, Mrs. Mary Doherty, Mr. Michael Sullivan, Mary J. Murphy and Mr. Owen J. Coleman.

O'BRIEN—The funeral of the late John O'Brien took place this morning at 7 o'clock from his late home, 16 Court street, and was largely attended. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where at 7.30 o'clock a funeral requiem mass was sung by Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I. Among the floral tributes was a pillow inscribed "Father" from the family, and sprays from Mrs. McGuire and family and Mrs. Lerigan. The bearers were Lawrence Considine, Thomas McDonald, Hugh McCluskey, James Riley, Patrick Mahan and George Lynch. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Wood, O. M. I. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons had charge.

DEATHS

RILEY—Mrs. Rose Riley, widow of the late John Riley, died today at her home, 150 Cross street. Deceased was a well known member of St. Patrick's parish. She leaves to mourn her loss three sons, Thomas and John of Lowell and Edward of Gardner, Mass., and three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Bean and Mrs. J. Costello of Boston, and Miss Rose G. Riley of Lowell. Funeral will be Wednesday morning, time to be announced later.

FIRE ON FISHER STREET

A fire in the house located at the corner of Fisher and Lakeview avenue caused the ringing in of box 612 this afternoon just before 4 o'clock. The firemen arrived on the scene without delay and smothered the flames before they had gotten fairly started. The house was empty and very little damage was done.

EMPEROR MENELIK DEAD

ADDIS ABEBA, Abyssinia, Dec. 22.—It is officially announced here today that Emperor Menelik is dead.

SUPREME COURT RECESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The supreme court recessed today to Jan. 5, when decisions in several important cases are expected.

Stock Market Closing Prices, Dec. 22th

FOR COMPLETE REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING PRICES SEE LATER EDITION

NEW YORK MARKET

	High	Low	Close
Amal Copper	72	70⅞	71⅞
Am Beet Sugar	23⅝	23½	23½
Am Can	30⅝	28½	30¼
Am Can pfd	89¾	88½	89½
Am Car & Fn	44¾	44¼	44¾
Am Cot Oil	37½	37½	37½
Am Locomo	30	29⅞	30
Am Loco pf	98	98	98
Am Smelt & R	64	62¾	64
Am Sugar Rfn	108	106¾	106¾
Anaconda	35	34⅝	35
Atchison	94¾	93¾	94¾
Atch pf	98¾	98¾	98¾
Balt & Ohio	93	92⅞	93
Br Rap Tran	87⅞	87⅛	87⅞
Canadian Pa	216¾	214¼	216⅝
Cent Leather	26⅞	26½	26⅝
Cent Leather pf	93	93	93
Ches & Ohio	58¾	58¼	58½
Chi & Gt W	11⅞	11¾	11⅞
Col Fuel	28¾	28	28¾
Consol Gas	123¾	129	129⅝
Del & Hud	157¾	157¼	157¾
Dis Secur Co	20	18¾	19¼
Erie	29	28⅜	28⅞
Erie 1st pf	44¾	44⅛	44¾
Erie 2d pf	35	35	35
Gen Elec	139	139	139
Gt North pf	126⅝	126	126⅝
Gt N Ore ctf	34	33	34
Illinois Cen	106¾	105¾	106¾
Int Met Com	15	14⅝	15
Int Met pf	60¼	59½	60½
Int Paper pf	36	35½	36
Kan City So	24¾	24¼	24½
Kan & Texas	20¾	20¼	20⅝
Kan & T pf	53¾	53½	53⅝
Lehigh Valley	153⅞	152⅝	153⅝
Louis & Nash	133½	133½	133½
Missouri Pa	25¼	23¾	24½
N Y Central	93⅛	92½	92⅝
Nor & West	104½	103⅞	104½
No Am Co	68	68	68
North Pac	109	108¾	109
Ont & West	28	28	28
Pennsylvania	109⅝	108½	109⅜
People's Gas	120⅝	120	120⅜
Pressed Steel	26¾	26¼	26⅝
Pullman Co	151	150	151
Ry St Sp Co	24½	24½	24⅝
Reading	166⅝	164½	166⅜
Rep Iron & S	20¼	19⅝	20¼
Rep I & S pf	81½	80½	81½
Rock Is	14¾	14	14¾
Rock Is pf	21½	21⅜	21½
St Paul	100½	99⅝	100½
So Pac	89½	87½	89½
Southern Ry	22⅞	22½	22¾
Southern Ry pf	76¾	76¾	76¾
Tenn Copper	30½	30	30½
Texas Pac	13½	13½	13½
Third Ave	41⅝	41	41½
Union Pac	155¼	154	155¼
Union Pac pf	83¼	83¼	83¼
U S Rub	56	55¾	56
U S Rub pf	100⅝	100¼	100¼
U S Steel	59¾	58⅝	59¼
U S Steel pf	105½	105	105⅝
U S Steel 5s	99⅞	99⅞	99⅞
Utah Copper	49	48	48⅞
Wabash R R	3¼	3¼	3¼
Wab R R pf	8¾	8½	8½
Westinghouse	64½	63⅞	63
Western Union	57	54⅝	57
Wiscon Cen	43¼	43¼	43¼

BOSTON MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Prices were generally firm with moderately active trading on the local exchange following the opening today. American Telephone was the active feature of the early hours.

A DECIDED WEAKNESS

IN FEW SPOTS AT OPENING —SPECULATIVE SENTIMENT BEARISH

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—The abrupt upturn in stocks late last week led to a reaction at the opening today. The effect of realizing sales was increased by disclosure of decided weakness in a few spots. Canadian Pacific dropped back 3 1-4. Western Union fell 3 3-8 to 54 1-8, a new low point, and American Telephone receded 1 3-4. Most of the leading stocks opened fractionally lower, but the list stiffened with gains of a point or more for Lehigh Valley, Sugar and Western Maryland. Canadian Pacific and Western Union failed to rally with the rest of the list, however, and their persistent heaviness checked the advance and brought back the general list to the opening level.

Traders who went into the market for a turn on the long side last week were disposed to realize today and their offerings held the advance in check. Unsettled conditions of the market recently, the uncertain outlook for money during the closing days of the year caused holders of long stock to take profits rather than hold on for a further advance. Witness of special stocks also imposed restraint upon the market as did foreign selling of Canadian Pacific, Steel and Amalgamated. Preparations for year-end settlements at Berlin where some money strain was looked for, were responsible for the selling from that quarter of Canadian Pacific, which sagged over four points.

Attempts to force up prices under the lead of Southern Pacific, which touched 83, were contested. Slight advances brought out large offerings especially of Union Pacific, which lost a point. Sales by London and the continent were estimated at 30,000 shares. Inability of the market to absorb European and domestic selling without wavering caused speculative sentiment to become bearish.

The market closed strong. The short interest provided a leverage for marking up prices in a substantial manner. Many low priced stocks were conspicuously strong, particularly Can. Gains of from one to two points were established in many cases.

COTTON FUTURES

	Opening	Close
December	12.15	12.03
January	11.85	11.76
March	12.12	12.03
May	12.11	11.99
July	12.10	12.01
October	11.40	

BOSTON MARKET

	High	Low	Close
RAILROADS			
Boston & Albany	184	183¾	183¾
Boston Elevated	87	86	87
Bos & Maine	43	41	43
N Y & N H	72½	70½	72½
N Y & N H rts	95c	80c	95c
MINING			
Arizona Com	4⅞	4	4⅜
Cal & Arizona	63¾	62¾	63¼
Cal & Hecla	410	405	410
Centennial	14	13¾	14
China	38¼	37¾	38¼
Copper Range	44½	44	44
E Butte	11	11	11
Franklin	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝
Granby	72	71¾	72
Indiana	4½	4½	4½
Kerr Lake	4½	4½	4½
La Salle	3⅝	3⅝	3⅝
Mohawk	42	41¾	42
Nevada	15	14¾	15
North Butte	28½	27⅞	28⅜
Old Colony	4¼	4	4¼
Osceola	72	72	72
Ray Con	18	17⅞	18
Santa Fe	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜
Shannon	6	6	6
Superior	25⅛	24¾	25⅛
Superior & Boston	2¾	2½	2⅝
Trinity	4	4	4
Tuolumne	57c	54c	57c
Utah Cons	8½	8½	8½
Winona	1½	1½	1½
Wolverine	43¾	43	43¾
TELEPHONE			
Am Tel & Tel	122⅞	121⅝	122¾
MISCELLANEOUS			
Mass Gas	90	89½	90
United Fruit	162	160½	162
United Sh M	54	52¾	53⅞
United Sh M pf	28	27¾	28
UNLISTED SECURITIES			
Alaska Gold	21⅞	21½	21½
Am Ag Chem Com	46	46	46
Am Woolen pf	79½	78	78¾
American zinc	15½	13½	13½
Butte & Superior	30¾	30	30¾
Isle Royale	19¾	19¼	19½
Lake Cop	17⅝		
Miami Cop	21⅝	21¾	21¾
Bond Creek	19	18⅝	19
Swift & Co	102¾	102¾	102¾
U S Smelting	40	38⅞	40
U S Smelting pf	48	48	48
BONDS			
Am Tel & Tel con 4s	96⅝	96⅝	96⅝

MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Mercantile paper 5¾ to 6 per cent. Sterling exchange steady; 60 days 481.15; for demand 485.30. Commercial bill, 480½. Bar silver 57⅞. Mexican dollars 44½. Government bonds firm; railroad bonds irregular.

Call money firm, 2½ to 3½ per cent. Ruling rate 3½; last loan 3½; closing 3¼ to ⅜.

Time loans weaker; 60 days 5 to 5¾; 90 days 5; six months 4¾ to 5.

COTTON SPOT

Cotton spot closed quiet. Middling Uplands 12.50. Middling Gulf 12.75. Sales 4500 bales.

WELDING DEVICE

A trio of workmen attracted considerable attention in Central street today on account of the nature of the work they are performing. These men are equipped with what is known as the Indianapolis portable electric welder and their business is to weld frogs and switches on the electric car tracks.

The machine, which is on wheels carried 500 electric volts and is covered with signs warning the public not to go near the apparatus. Two men keep tabs on the machine and its many electric switches, while the other one attends to the welder, a small instrument connected to the large machine with electrical wires. This third party while at work is surrounded by a canvas protector and hidden to the public. Occasionally large sparks emerge from the protector, and that seems to be the chief attraction. Hundreds of people this noon watched the operations from the sidewalks. The apparatus gets its current from the trolley wire and the tracks.

STEAMERS SIGHTED

SIASCONSETT, Dec. 22.—Str. Bergenstord, Bergen, for New York, 560 miles east of Sandy Hook at noon. Dock noon Tuesday.

Sable Island, Dec. 22—Str. President Grant, Hamburg, for New York, 777 miles east of Sandy Hook at 7 a. m. Dock 5.30 p. m. Wednesday.

Str. Cassel, Bremen for Boston and New York, 442 miles east of Boston at 10.30 a. m.

WOMAN POET KILLED BY CAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Miss Virginia Vaughn, writer of lyrics and poems, translator and friend of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the Brownings and other authors of half a century past, was killed by a street car in Eighth avenue yesterday.

Miss Vaughn was the daughter of John Champion Vaughn, an abolitionist, who published anti-slavery newspapers at Cincinnati and Cleveland. She was 81 years old.

DIVISION 28, A. O. H.

The members of Division 28, A. O. H., held a special meeting yesterday afternoon and a feature of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year with the following result:

Patrick J. McCann, president; James O'Sullivan, vice president; Martin D. Sullivan financial secretary; Thomas Lillis, recording secretary; Edward F. Slattery, treasurer; John O'Keefe, sentinel; Dr. Charles Roughan, physician.

At the conclusion of the business meeting a social hour was enjoyed, remarks being made by Bros. Edward F. Slattery, John O'Rourke, past president of the division. Musical numbers were given by Bros. Niland, John Niernev, president of Division 11, Hubert McQuade and others. Brother McCann was instructed to attend the county meeting which will be held at Malden on Sunday, Dec. 28.

40,000 TONS OF TIN

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Welsh tin plate makers have booked orders for some 40,000 tons for delivery to American Canning and Oil concerns between now and June, it was announced here today. The United States tariff, which had almost destroyed the Welsh tin plate trade promises in its revised form, it is said by the makers to prove the salvation of the industry, as they now find they are able to compete successfully with American manufacturers.

RAILROAD DIRECTORS MEET

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 22.—The stockholders of the Connecticut company which holds the trolley properties in this state of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co., met here in special session today and amended the company's by-laws to provide for a chairman of the board of directors.

In a few days the electors will meet and elect Howard Elliott, chairman of the board and L. S. Storr, president. At the present time Mr. Elliott is president and Storr is vice president. The entire capital stock of the company is owned by the New England Navigation Co.

309 MINERS KILLED

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 22.—One death from accident for every 700,000 tons of coal mined in six of the coal producing counties of West Virginia in the first 11 months of 1913 was shown in the report of Earl Henry, chief of the bureau of mines, made public today. In ten coal counties there were no deaths from mine accidents. Total deaths in the mines of the state numbered 309, compared with 340 for the same period last year. The number of miners employed included approximately 5000.

HENRY CLAY HALL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Henry Clay Hall, former mayor of Colorado Springs, Colo., and once president of the Colorado State Bar association, was considered as one of the state commissioners on the interstate commerce commissioners at a conference today between President Wilson and Senator Thomas and Representative Seldomridge. The congressmen left the White House feeling that their candidate's chances of appointment were favorable.

It is believed to be settled that the president will reappoint Commissioner Judson C. Clements of Georgia, and it was understood that a man for the third place had been chosen but would not be announced until later.

GIRL DISAPPEARS

WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—The police are investigating the disappearance of 14-year-old Margaret Berry of Spencer, who, according to the story of a little girl with whom she was walking on Worcester common Saturday evening, was lured away by a well-dressed young man.

Margaret, who is described as pretty and large for her age, came here with her mother to visit an aunt on East Central street. Mrs. Berry went back to Spencer in hopes her daughter would have returned before her, and when she failed to find her, notified the police.

RESTITUTION SUITS

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—Whether there is a legal basis for restitution suits against certain directors and former directors of the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad on account of a syndicate promotion of subsidiary railroads and their sale to the Frisco system was urged before Circuit Judge Sanborn in the United States circuit court here. The arguments were on the petition of William Niles of New York, a stockholder of the Frisco road who seeks permission to file restitution suits against certain syndicate members and on the application of receivers for instruction as to whether they shall file a suit for restitution against certain officers or former officers of the road who were members of the syndicate that promoted the St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexico line. The argument today was largely on points of law.

BARRETT SPEAKS

Alderman Barrett says that some people who have been criticizing his administration of the water and fire departments don't know what they are talking about. "I read this morning," said Mr. Barrett, "about water department estimates submitted by me in the beginning of the year and that I was given an appropriation in keeping with the estimates. I supposed that every grammar school boy in the city knew that the water department was self supporting; that it lived on its revenues. The water department revenues will pay for all the work that has been done for the last two years, more work than has ever been done in any other two years in the history of the department, and I want to add that I am turning both of my departments over to my successor in better shape than they have ever been before. When I took the water department there was a deficit of $2000 and when I pass it over to my successor the department will be $54,000 to the good. I took it with a deficit of $2000 and I leave it with a surplus of $54,000. The fire department, too, is in tip top shape and I will hand it over to my successor with a surplus of over $20,000."

TO REPRIMAND OFFICERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson today made public a letter addressed to Secretary Daniels requesting that "a very serious reprimand be administered to those army and navy officers who participated in the recent dinner of the military order of the Carabao at which the administration's Philippine and other policies were satirized."

The letter follows:

"The officers who were responsible for the program of the evening are certainly deserving of a very serious reprimand, which I hereby request be administered; and I cannot rid myself of a feeling of great disappointment that the general body of officers assembled at the dinner should have greeted the carrying out of such a program with apparent indifference to the fact that it violated some of the most dignified and sacred traditions of the service.

"I am told that the songs and other amusements of the evening were intended and regarded as 'fun.' What are we to think of the officers of the army and navy of the United States who think it 'fun' to bring their official superiors into ridicule and the policies of the government which they are sworn to serve with unquestioning loyalty into contempt. If this is their idea of fun, what is their idea of duty? If they do not hold their loyalty above all silly effervescence of childish wit, what about their profession do they hold sacred?

"My purpose, therefore, in administering this reprimand is to recall the men who are responsible for this lowering of standards to their ideals; to remind them of the high conscience with which they ought to put duty above personal indulgence and to think of themselves as responsible men and trusted soldiers, even while they are amusing themselves as diners out.

"Sincerely yours,

"Woodrow Wilson."

EXPLOSION ON TRAIN

ROSTOCK, Mecklinburg-Schwerin, December 22.—An explosion occurred on the Russian court special train at the railroad station here just before the arrival of Dowager Empress Marie of Russia, who left Copenhagen today for St. Petersburg. Seven members of the train crew were injured.

MAN LEAPS TO DEATH

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Pursued by 100 passengers through seven cars of a subway train in Brooklyn last night, a youth suspected of being a pickpocket leaped from the front platform of the eighth and last car, when he was about to be seized, and was crushed to death against a pillar of the tunnel. The train was stopped and the body taken aboard and removed at the next station.

The victim was identified through his finger-prints at police headquarters, according to detectives, as Solomon Furst, 19 years old, who some months ago received a brief term in the city reformatory after being convicted of a petty crime.

GLYNN BREAKS WITH WHITMAN

ALBANY, Dec. 22.—Dist. Atty. C. S. Whitman's request that he be appointed a special deputy attorney general, in order to make a state wide graft investigation, will not be granted by Gov. Glynn. The governor, in a statement which criticized Mr. Whitman sharply and questioned his motives in seeking the appointment, made this declaration last night.

In addition to taking the ground that there is no warrant in the law for such action, and that ti would be a severe reflection on the district attorneys of other counties, the governor said plainly that, in his opinion, Mr. Whitman's appeal was inspired by political motives.

The governor declared that Mr. Whitman had promised to turn over any evidence of wrongdoing that he found outside of his jurisdiction, but none has come from him. Further, the governor added, if Mr. Whitman would furnish any evidence of this kind which he has, prosecutions will be carried on by the various district attorneys, or he will remove them from office.

NEW MINISTER TO MEXICO

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 22.—Signor Cambiego, the newly appointed Italian minister to Mexico, arrived here today on the steamer Corcovado and will leave for Mexico City tonight.

BRYAN ARRIVES IN FLORIDA

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 22.—Secretary and Mrs. Bryan and their small grandson arrived here today for a stay of several days at the new Bryan winter home "Villa Serena."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column

B. & M. OFFICIALS

Discuss Housing Problem With the Board of Trade

Henry Bartlett, mechanical superintendent for the Boston & Maine railroad and Robert N. Newcomb, the road's publicity manager, came to Lowell from Boston this afternoon to meet real estate men at the board of trade rooms. They came here for the purpose of impressing upon real estate men and others the very great problem confronting the Boston & Maine railroad in Billerica.

"We are up against a housing and feeding proposition that is some problem," said Mr. Bartlett, who, by the way, is a Lowell boy, "and it is up to the people of Lowell and Billerica to get busy."

Mr. Bartlett suggested that it would be a good idea to make the Lowell board of trade a closing house for persons who have houses to let. He said that the shops would begin operations early in January and that 950 men would come to Billerica right off the reel. He said they would continue to come in squads of from 150 to 250 until 1700 or 1800 men are on the grounds. He said that neither Lowell nor Billerica appeared to be alive to the occasion. "The Boston & Maine," he said, "did not build those shops to look at. They were built for business and the only thing we fear now is that we will not be able to house and feed the men who are coming here."

Speaking in a general way, Mr. Bartlett said: "The shops at Billerica are practically ready, for the men to go to work there. It is planned to have the first instalment of workmen actually employed in the locomotive repair shop the first of January. This date may be delayed for a few days, owing to some additional installation of minor parts of machinery, but it is certain that within a few days after the first of January, the first instalment of workmen for this department will be actually employed in the new shop. The total force to be employed in the locomotive shops, which will be operated before the rest of the plant, will total fully 950 men.

"Hundreds of men will be at the big shops within a short time and they must have a place to live. They will spend their money in and about Lowell and Lowell should cease to think of this undertaking as one to be dreamt about as something in the distant future and come to a realization of what the city's problems and opportunities are in having this addition of workmen, well paid and in every way desirable as citizens, suddenly thrust into its midst and dependent upon its resources for a place to live."

SCHMIDT TRIAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The battle of alienists upon which may depend the life of Hans Schmidt was looked for today at Schmidt's trial for the murder of Anna Aumuller. Before court opened this morning the prisoner asked that all the sanity experts but two be excluded from the room. "These two," he said, "are both scientific and humane, and they know that I am sane. The others think I am insane." His request was not granted.

The defense today continued its examination of Dr. Perry Lichenstein, physician at the Tombs, where Schmidt is confined. It was said that only one more witness remained before both sides called their alienists.

Reverting to Schmidt's admission to having forged diplomas for students in Germany, Dr. Lichtenstien said that Schmidt told him he could transfer his personality to anyone he wished; that when he signed a diploma he was not committing forgery, because for the time being he really was the person whose signature he was imitating.

Here the defense called its first alienist, Dr. Smith Ely Jelliffe, of New York.

Telegraphic Brevities

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 22.—Louis T. Rea of Carrollton, Mo., shot and probably fatally injured his wife, Blanche, then shot himself to death in a hotel here early today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—According to New York bankers, the business of the bank of London and Mexico was chiefly of a commercial character. It did not represent the Mexican government in the matter of loans to any great extent.

HERMOSILLA, Sonora, Dec. 22.—Communication by rail and wire has been partially restored throughout northwestern Mexico, according to an announcement made by Ignacio Bonillas, secretary of communications in General Carranza's provisional cabinet. This is assisting materially the constitutionalist campaign by putting the various insurgent leaders in close touch with the general headquarters here.

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 22.—The resignation of Prof. Bruce Wyman from the faculty of the Harvard law school was accepted today by the president and fellows of Harvard college. Professor Wyman tendered his resignation Saturday, explaining that he was prompted by a desire to relieve the law school from embarrassment due to his connection with the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad.

HAVANA, Dec. 22.—Six American refugees from the Mexican seaport of Tampico arrived here today on board the Morro Castle on their way to New York.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 22.—William Hamilton, recently appointed police court justice to succeed Henry Bosworth, resigned, presided in court this morning for the first time.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 22—Hector Bouchard of Northampton was given a hearing before United States Commissioner Rice today charged with sending obscene matters through the mail.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Trustees of the George Junior Republic association appointed a committee today to reply to the recommendation of the state board of charity, adopted recently, urging that William George, founder of the Republic at Freeville, N. Y., be removed from all participation further in the Republic's affairs.

SANTIAGO, Chili, Dec. 22.—The minister of finance today introduced in congress a measure for the establishment of a national reserve fund to handle exchange operations and the issue of banknotes.

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STREET MASHERS

In many of the principal cities of the country the authorities have appointed policewomen to the regular police force for the purpose of catching the street mashers that escape the vigilance of the male police officials. Whether the women chosen have not been of the type desired, or whether the task is too heavy for women to handle, or for some other reason, the result has not been quite satisfactory. Arrests have been made in plenty but in most cases the accused are allowed to go when brought before the courts. This does not prove by any means that street mashers do not exist, and in great numbers, but that the method employed to bring them to justice is faulty. There is just the possibility too that a zealous police-lady looking for trouble may give a little more encouragement to the offender than is within the regulations of strict female conduct in public.

One cannot take a walk through the street without seeing the street mashers. They are usually brainless young men of the peacock variety who pay rigorous attention to their neckties and the cut of their garments but little or no attention to public propriety. They stand around in groups and after expending all their epithets of admiration in mutual complimenting, they start in to make themselves as obnoxious as possible to young ladies who pass, especially if the young ladies are unattended. A brawny male escort makes all the difference in the world to the feather-brained ogler of pretty girls, for bless your heart! they would not get into a fight for the world. Fighting is extremely vulgar you know, and it is almost absolutely impossible to look attractive when you are knocked in the gutter.

It is a reflection on our sense of chivalry that a young lady cannot go through the streets or wait at the square for a car without being bowed to, smiled at, spoken to, or more or less openly embarrassed, by absolute strangers who are hanging around to make an impression on the giddy and thoughtless butterflies who pass. While we have the foolish young thing to whom male admiration and public interference have nothing of insult, we must expect to have decent people publicly insulted by cads. All people cry out against the cliques of a rougher sort which collect in out of the way sections and make themselves obnoxious to all who pass, but oftentimes the well dressed and externally clean loafer may smirk and smile with impunity.

There should be one rule of public conduct for gentle as well as rough and this should demand that women and girls be allowed to go about their missions of business or pleasure without being molested by human hawks or dickey birds. Not all the stories of the masher are authentic for we will always have the vain temperamental young lady who sees molestation in every trifling incident of an afternoon walk, but enough of them are authentic, and publicly evident, to warrant police interference. If young men, and the few rascally old ones, were reported to the police for their public insults, we might hope for improvement. We are anxious that our streets should be free from dirt and refuse. Let us also free them from the masher as far as possible.

CHRISTMAS COMES SMILING

The traditional Christmas time comes when the ground is covered with snow, when the airs are keen and piercing, when people go forth enveloped in furs and woolens, and when the blazing yuletog invites those who wish to keep Christmas cheer from the chilly out-of-doors to the warmth of the ingle nook. This is the traditional and story-book Christmas, but it will not be the Christmas of Lowell for the year 1913—unless there is a sudden and violent change in the temper of the weather man. For weeks past we have enjoyed weather as unusual as it is delightful and though it may interfere slightly with the romantic setting of the season, it is a great boon to most of the people, and it can be made far more enjoyable than the time of slithering snow time if we set aside our preconceived notions of what Christmas weather should be, and accept what the Lord and Santa Claus have sent in a spirit of joyous gratefulness.

Speaking of Santa Claus, however, awakes one regret for the vanished Christmas time of snows and icicles. How are we going to tell all the wonder-folk of the time that the genial old traveler is coming down from the frosty north in his sleigh drawn by reindeer when there is not an inch of snow on which he may glide over the house tops? Of course he is going to come. He never disappointed us yet. But this year he is not going to use his sleigh. Now is it not just possible that in his pack of mechanical wizardry he has discovered the most wonderiferous of all wonderful aeroplanes with white wings like a sea gull and golden wires like the harp that David played on and an engine that hums Christmas carols instead of saying "Chug, Chug"? He does not change the cut of his beard from year to year, and he still holds on to his scarlet, fur trimmed tunic, but with the wisdom of all the centuries he has lived to make kiddies happy, he has learned what to do when there is no snow for the flying feet of his galloping reindeer.

The only person who can give an authoritative opinion on this most important matter is some grave philosopher of four who pauses long enough in the process of hanging up his stocking to make the old folk wise. But then on second thought it must be plain to all that there are no old folk at Christmas time. We are all children, be we eight or eighty, before the gladsome spirit of the season that gives us abundantly of all good things, not the least important of which is our glorious weather of health and happiness and bracing airs.

TRUANT SCHOOL BOYS

The appointment of a parole officer for the Middlesex county training school of North Chelmsford, otherwise known as the truant school, is a wise precaution and the need for such an official is amply proved by the records of police courts which, to a discouraging degree, testify that the inmates of such institutions should be kept under strict supervision when they are released. At a meeting of the county commissioners last summer it was deemed advisable to pay more attention to this matter and the appointment of the parole officer, to take place the first of the year, is the result. His duties will be to see where a boy goes after being released from the institution, what kind of home atmosphere he lives in, what companions he keeps, what influences surround him, and all other matters that will have a direct bearing on his conduct after being released from the institution. He will also be able to help the officials of the school in understanding each individual case and its needs, for with the sending of a boy to the truant school, he can testify to his past home surroundings, and the line of treatment that is liable to effect his reformation.

It must be discouraging to those interested in social improvement to see how often individuals turn to a criminal life after being released from a reformatory or other corrective school. The reason, however, is plain. While one has kept out of the toils of the law, and away from the atmosphere of courts, prisons, and restraining institutions, there is a certain wall of natural shame that serves as a protection. Once this has been broken down by an offence it can never be repaired. The histories of prison pardons are replete with cases which show that incarceration in any form damages the moral nature and predisposes to further crime. It may be that in the past the law concerned itself too much with the punishment and did not reach a helping hand when the released prisoner faced society and its problems. In a smaller sense this was true of all truant schools. The state has done well to realize that its duties do not cease once a boy has been released from such an institution as the school at North Chelmsford, and the appointment of the new official is a move in the right direction.

A TRUST DISSOLVED

The declared intention of the American Telephone and Telegraph company to release its control of the Western Union Telegraph company, and get rid of the stock, is a great and significant victory for the administration. It speaks for the new business ideal mentioned by the president in his letter on the subject to the attorney-general, and it shows distinctively that instead of merciless hounding there will be a spirit of real co-operation between the government and offending institutions in getting their affairs to conform with the anti-trust laws of the country. It may be that the unmerging will cause a temporary confusion in business, but there are, not many thinking people who would desire a business catered to by the government, contrary to law. If the law is worth enforcing it must be enforced, and all evidences now indicate that it will be enforced.

President Vail has given an example worthy of emulation to the other large interests of the country, by at once complying with the wishes of the administration instead of dragging out his opposition as many trusts have done during the Taft and Roosevelt regimes without resultant vindication or honor. The "complete frankness" of which the president speaks, has resulted in good in this instance, and it will help to bring about a better spirit in the relations of the government with big business. After the passing of a tariff bill which has left prosperity undisturbed, and a currency bill which will free the monetary system of the country from artificial restraint, we may look forward to the anti-trust activity that is coming with confidence and re-assurance. Business should not, of course, and will not, bow to the government if it is being imposed on in any particular, but if it is apparent that what is desired is in compliance with laws made by the country in its wisdom in the past, the best spirit to follow is the spirit recently shown by the American Telegraph and Telephone company.

KEEP OFF TRACKS

There is scarcely an edition of the daily papers that does not give a positive warning concerning the danger of walking on railroad tracks or beside them. On Sunday two boys aged 17 were going through the railroad yards at Portland, Me., on the way home from a fishing trip. Seeing a train approaching they hurried to get out of the way. As is usual in railroad construction, there were some holes between the ties and one of the boys slipped, getting his foot into one of these so that he could not extricate it in time. He was held there until the train came and released him by cutting off his leg. This could happen very easily in our railroad yards, and the reason we have not had such accidents is that trains have not come when boys were so caught. The only safe way to walk on railroad tracks is to walk away from them.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

TRIBUTE TO FITZGERALD

Woonsocket Call: Mr. Fitzgerald's political usefulness is not, however, to be looked upon as ended. There is a strong expectation of his complete and speedy recovery. He is still a comparatively young man, whose good habits will now stand him in good stead. The democratic party of Boston and Massachusetts, divided as it is at times, regards Fitzgerald as a strong asset. He is a vote winner of ability and a trained and successful politician. There is party work yet for him which would gratify his ambition and serve the public and the democracy. His mayorship, taken as a whole, has been energetic and productive of good results.

DANBURY HATTERS

Burlington Free Press: The gist of the Danbury hatters case decision is that the Sherman anti-trust law is no respecter of persons, whether those directly concerned represent either capital or labor. That principle is as far-reaching as it is fundamental.

THE NEW HAVEN CASE

Salem News: In the words of an old saying, "Where there's so much smoke, there must be some fire." At any rate, the unbiased observer who contemplates the present plight of New Haven and compares conditions with those which prevailed a dozen or 15 years ago, will not rest content with the explanation that the cause of the road's embarrassments must primarily be sought in government regulation and "Washington threats against the security of railroad investments." To hosts of people this must look like a begging of the question.

MUNICIPAL SALARIES

Newport News: A resolution to increase the salary of the president of the New York board of aldermen from $5000 to $10,000 has been withdrawn at the request of Mr. McAneny, who will fill the office for the next four years. He said: "Perhaps the salary is not what it ought to be, but I think it would be wrong to have the salary of an elected officer changed. I ask quite earnestly that the resolution be withdrawn." Score one for McAneny's sense of honor and good taste.

TO THE OLD COUNTRY

Fall River Globe: Never before have the outgoing European steamers at this season been so heavily laden with Christmas offerings wherewith to gladden people in the old world. The increase in the amount of foreign money orders issued by the New York postoffice alone for the month of December represented $1,219,000, the greater portion of which it is fair to assume represented Christmas remittances, while the gift packages that every departing liner has been carrying for the past two weeks, surpasses all previous records.

IMMIGRATION BILL

Providence Tribune: It would bar from entry all Asiatics, militant suffragettes, advocates of sabotage and anarchists. Just why the militant suffragettes were included and not the militant socialists does not appear. This is a palpable weakness of the bill and represents a change that was made since last spring. The literacy test, requiring all aliens to be able to read and write some language, has been retained. This was the stumbling block which defeated the measure in committee a year or so ago.

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Seen and Heard

Here and there a backyard farmer has already succeeded in explaining to himself why his garden wasn't a success last summer, so that he has changed his mind and has concluded now to try again next year.

One depressing thing about having your fortune told is that the future so seldom turns out the way the fortune teller says it will.

Some people can never be happy with the blessings they enjoy, because the blessings that other people enjoy are so much more conspicuous.

Train robbery is not so frequent in the wild west now as it used to be, although, of course, the Pullman porters have to get enough to live on.

When a man prances into the office and announces in a glad tone that he is full of "pep" it is a good idea for the man at the desk to pull the string that drops down the sign reading: "This is my busy day!"

Not that Representative Robert S. Broussard of Louisiana is finicky about his food; far be it from anything of this sort. Mr. Broussard likes all food, some more than others, but all of it to him is good, and the subject to him is ever interesting.

Good natured always, it is not for him to complain. No man in public life has more reason to be contented with his lot. He is rounding out his eighth term in the house and has nicely buttoned up a six-year term in the senate following that. Contented? Why, that's his middle name.

But the other day he struck a steak in the house restaurant that did not appeal to him. Sadly he pushed it away from him.

"What's the matter with it, Bob?" asked a fellow member who was lunching with him.

"I don't know," said Broussard, "but it tastes like wasted money."

THE KNIGHT'S TOAST

To one whose image never may depart,
Deep graven in the grateful heart,
To one whose love for me shall last
When lighter passion long has passed,
So holy 'tis, and true;
To one whose love hath longer dwelt
More deeply fixed more keenly felt
Than any pledged by you.

And Stanley said: "We crave the name
Proud knight, of this most peerless dame
Whose love you count so high."
St. Leon paused, as if he would
Not breathe her name in careless doom
Thus lightly to another;
Then bent his noble head as though
To give that word its reverence due,
And gently said: "My mother!"
—Scott.

Eggs are so useful in cooking, as every house keeper knows, that they will always hold a place to which they would not be strictly entitled from the standpoint of nutritive value. Of this they have less than any meat that is eaten except veal. Scientists and experts measure the food value of different materials by what are called calories, which represent the heat producing or energy producing quality independent of the refuse and water contained in all foods. Thus measured fresh beef, medium fat, the loin cut, contains 1,025 calories to the pound; ribs, 1,125; round, 715; mutton, leg, 830; loin, 1,415; pork loin, 1,245; fresh ham, 1,320; veal leg, 625; loin, 625; eggs, 635. Eggs contain a large per cent of water and a smaller per cent. of protein and of fat than any of the meats named. It follows that a pound of any kind or cut of meat, except veal, contains more nutritive qualities than a pound of eggs with shells removed.

Johnny Appleseed was the nickname of a quaint and interesting character of early Indiana, who has sometimes been called a pioneer hero. His real name was Jonathan Chapman, and he was born in Massachusetts in 1775. In 1801 or 1802 he arrived in northern Ohio, with a horseload of appleseeds, and from that time on for many years he spent his time tramping over Ohio and Indiana planting appleseeds in every eligible spot he found, and especially in every clearing. If circumstances favored he planted enough to form an orchard. The result was a growth of thousands of apple trees, many of which continued to bear a long time. He was an original character of kindly disposition, and a welcome guest everywhere throughout the sparsely settled country. He died in Allen county, Indiana, in 1847, and was buried not far from Ft. Wayne.

OLD POETS

If I should live in a forest
And sleep underneath a tree,
No grove of whispering saplings
Would make a home for me.

I'd go where the old oaks gather,
Serene and good and strong,
And they would not sigh and tremble
And vex me with a song.

The pleasantest sort of poet
Is the poet who's old and wise,
With an old white beard, and wrinkles
About his kind old eyes.

For these young fibbertigibbets
A-rhyming their hours away,
They won't be still like honest men
And listen to what you say.

The young poet screams forever
About his sex and his soul,
But the old man listens and smokes his pipe
And polishes its bowl.

There should be a club for poets
Who have come to seventy year,
They should sit in a great hall drinking
Red wine and golden beer.

They would shuffle in of an evening,
Each one to his cushioned seat,
And there would be mellow talking
And silence rich and sweet.

There is no peace to be taken
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BETRAYED BY DEATH

WOMAN THREE YEARS IN SECRET ROOM OF LAWYER WHO DIED SUDDENLY

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—In this quiet picturesque village in the last three years there has been enacted a drama that surpasses any episode of an affinity or almost any story that the imagination of a Balzac might evolve.

The fact became public yesterday, following the sudden death of Melvin H. Couch, that he, 65 years old, genial and highly respected, and former district attorney, kept for three years in a secret room in his office a woman named Adelaide E. Brance, and for 12 years prior to that time the two had been intimate, but whether they had lived together clandestinely, the woman refused now to disclose.

In all that time the woman, now 40 years old, left the secret room probably only two or three times, and her existence in this town was known to nobody except Couch himself.

She was practically a willing slave, devoting her entire life to Couch, nursing him when ill and attending to his every want.

For him she gave up her friends and all association with friends whom she had made either here or in other places. Nobody can be found who ever has seen her in the last three years, and she herself said that she went out at night on two or three occasions.

NO HOLIDAY BUSINESS

UNREST FELT THROUGHOUT MEXICO BY MERCHANTS—NO WINDOW DECORATIONS

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—Feeble efforts have been made to arrange holiday festivities in Mexico City this year. Gov. Corono of the federal district has enlisted a few of the city's fashionable women to assist him in holding a Kermess in one of the public parks, but even this show of holiday spirit is half apologetic, it being announced that the proceeds are to go toward buying clothing for the poor.

Merchants in Mexico annually dress their windows and stores to attract the present-buying public, but unlike the stores in the United States the rush is not over until one week later. Some Mexicans buy presents and distribute them on Christmas eve, but all of them give, or want to give tokens of their love and friendship on New Year's day.

This year the merchants have made little effort to capture the holiday trade on account of the unrest throughout the land.

Merchants who had placed orders early in the year with European toy houses have generally cancelled them because of the increased duty on all importations. Such show windows as are decorated with holiday goods this year contain the left over goods of a year ago.

TO BEGIN LIFE ANEW

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 23.—James Moriarty, 35 years old, who was acquitted a few days ago of the charge of having caused the death of Mrs. Caroline Turner, of Lakewood, N. J., is expected to arrive in Manchester today to begin life anew. Moriarty will live with his uncle, Joseph Lehan.

Moriarty was formerly clerk of the Amoskeag National bank, but lost his position. He will seek employment here as a stenographer.

WHY THAYER DECLINED

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Ezra R. Thayer, dean of the Harvard law school, announced last night that he had written to Governor Foss, declining nomination as a justice of the supreme court. Dean Thayer said he felt that he could perform his present duties at Harvard better than he could fill a seat on the supreme bench. His nomination is now before the governor's council.

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LOSES FIGHT FOR BABY

JUDGE REFUSES TO GIVE MOTHER CUSTODY AND RETURNS CHILD TO GRANDMOTHER

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Before the 15-months-old baby, who did not know her, Mrs. Anna L. Washburn of Washington made a tearful plea for the custody of the child in the superior court yesterday.

Notwithstanding her appeal, Judge Crosby decided against her, on the ground that it would be better for the child to remain with its present custodian, the grandmother, Mrs. Ida Parkins Washburn of Everett.

During the arguments Mrs. Washburn, mother of the baby, was forced to listen to grave accusations concerning her own habits.

Mrs. Washburn said she was the wife of John K. Washburn, color sergeant of the 15th U. S. Cavalry, who is suing her for divorce. She claimed her husband stole the child away from her in Washington, last July.

She stated her husband obtained possession of the child by giving her a dollar and telling her to go out and spend it. When she came back the child and father were both gone. She traced them to Everett.

Witnesses testified and letters were produced in an effort to show that Mrs. Washburn used intoxicating liquors.

In making his decision Judge Crosby made it plain that he considered only the present welfare of the child.

At a previous hearing Mrs. Washburn was granted a few minutes in which to fondle the child. Yesterday at the conclusion of the case the baby was carried right past Mrs. Washburn from the court room by its grandmother. In the months that have elapsed since the child was taken from Washington it has quite forgotten her, and in the court room it betrayed no sign of recognition.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of the Benevolent Order of Buffaloes was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Odd Fellows building, Middlesex street, with President James E. Hughes in the chair.

This meeting was transferred from the regular meeting night Wednesday the 24th on account of that date being Christmas eve. It was thought on account of the change that there would not be a very large attendance but the members, realizing that the change had been made for their especial benefit, attended to a man and a very successful meeting was held.

During the meeting various committees made their reports, prominent among them being the report of Supreme Trustee Jesse D. Crook, who is chairman of the whist tournament committee. Mr. Crook assured the members that his committee would have arrangements completed so that they would be able to begin the tournament on the second meeting night in January.

Eleven applications for membership were received and acted upon and everything seems to indicate that the next class initiation seems to indicate that the next class initiation will be the largest up to date.

A large amount of routine business was taken care of and to avoid mistakes the members were notified that there would be no meeting on next Wednesday evening, but after that date the meetings would be held as usual on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month until further notice.

REBELS PLAY WAITING GAME

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 23.—A waiting attitude was assumed by Gen. Francisco Villa and his rebel troops yesterday to learn what action the Federals at Ojinaga intend to take. As long as the bulk of the Federal army in the north remains at Ojinaga, more than 100 miles from striking distance of any of the rebel strongholds, Gen. Villa said he was contented to let them remain there. While the Federals have been provisioning their commissary as if preparing to march into the interior they are without any train or telegraphic communication south of the border. They have among them 10 generals, or one for each 400 soldiers.

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BUILDING SAVED FROM AUCTIONEER'S HAMMER

At the meeting of the Y. M. C. A. collectors, yesterday afternoon; the committees, after a great struggle, announced that the new building had been saved from the auctioneer's hammer by the generosity of the people of Lowell.

The total amount raised to date was $81,503.66.

The principal contributors today were: Herbert F. Lyman, $1000; Edward Lovering, $1000; C. P. Baker, $1000; Chas. F. Fairbanks, $1000; Shattuck & Hussey, Chicago $1700.

Other Contributions

Other contributions announced were:

Selling-house of Waterhead mills	$500.00
Mrs. W. B. Spaulding	500.00
Joel Mace	500.00
Hiram F. Mills	100.00

The Meeting

With over 1000 people crowded in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium this noon the committee reported the sum of $21,-771.66 for the day bringing the building fund up to $81,503.66, or over $6000 more than the amount asked for. The final figures were greeted with cheers and when everything was tabulated and it was ascertained that the building would be saved all present, including a large number of women, arose and cheered heartily for several minutes.

Every seat in the association building was taken up, the gallery being filled with men and women who were interested in the campaign. The meeting was featured by the reports of the boys, the high school class reporting a large amount while the grammar school boys reported the sum of $3000. Previous to this last announcement it was not known whether or not the deficit would be raised and when the figures went over $75,000 the boys were loudly applauded for their earnest work.

At the time of the opening of the noon meeting it was generally believed that another meeting would have to be held tonight in order to realize the full amount but each report showed that the destination was being neared and about 2.15 o'clock the final figures were placed on the chart.

Among the contributions announced today were a great many from societies and churches throughout the city and many small Sunday school classes pledged amounts that helped to bring the totals up. All the announcements were greeted with cheers and tigers and after the meeting was over the campaigners stayed and cheered for individuals and companies that helped to make the campaign such a grand success.

The men then gathered in front of the building and about 1000 in line, headed by the boys who helped in the campaign, marched to Merrimack square to witness the moving of the band of the big clock and when it was pushed way over the $75,000 mark the 1000 voices cheered again and again for the local Y. M. C. A. and for all who helped to save the home of over 1400 local young men.

Other Contributors

Among the large amounts that were reported at today's meeting are: Progressive club of Pawtucket church, $45; Benevolent society of Calvary Baptist church, $50; Paige Street church, $50; Christian Science church, $55; Fifth Street Baptist church, $72; First Congregational church, $207; Girls club of Boott mills, $25; Appleton mills, $136; M. G. Perkins, $100; First Baptist church, $100; Pillsbury flour mills, $50; Samuel N. Wood, $100; Selling house of Waterhead mills, $500; Overseers of Appleton company, $100; Middlesex Women's club, $200; Mrs. W. B. Spaulding, $500; ladies of Congregational church of Billerica, $35; sewing circle of same church, $25; Joel Mace, $500; Charles S. Eaton, $100; Yorick club, $200; office of John A. Stevens, $100; Gurham Street Methodist church, $82; S. H. Scott, $100; Old Ladies' Home, $7.10; Mrs. S. T. Brown, 50.

Report of Teams:

Previously reported	$59,732.00
Today	21,771.66
Total	$81,503.66

Citizens' Committee

Team	No. of Pledges	Amt.
1—F. A. Bowen capt.	39	$1500.00
2—H. A. Smith capt.	22	504.00
3—F. E. Dunbar, capt.	12	494.00
4—C. B. Redway, capt.	32	525.00
5—Franklin Nourse, capt.	18	549.00
6—H. W. Foster, capt.	28	925.50
7—F. W. Hall, capt.	9	78.00
9—E. W. Thomson, capt.	5	140.00
10—Geo. H. Taylor, capt.	18	584.00
	183	$5299.50

Business Men's Committee

C—W. T. S. Bartlett, capt.	48	$478.00
D—L. A. Derby, capt.	12	174.50
E—C. F. Flemings, capt.	31	347.50
F—W. H. G. Wight, capt.	35	425.85
G—A. P. French, capt.	27	803.65
I—C. Vanderberg, capt.	10	105.00
K—W. T. Sheppard, capt.	11	102.00
	177	$2436.50

Young Business Men's Committee

L—Frank Gilbert, capt.	11	$61.67
M—E. G. Campbell, capt.	16	$9.00
N—Wm. P. Proctor, capt.	106	170.00
O—Otis Butler, capt.	71	539.85
P—Theodore Pearson, capt.	54	201.00
R—Robert Friend, capt.	32	1219.50
S—Lawrence Chase, capt.	587	517.75
T—E. W. Donley, capt.	47	551.00
V—J. V. B. Coburn, capt.	9	$5.00
W—Geo. C. Dunn, capt.	476	378.24
	1389	$3616.01

High School Boys' Teams

Team 11, Hockmeyer	15	$100.00
Team 12, Leland	52	270.00
Team 13, Burton	13	104.50
Team 14, Fletcher	32	130.50
Team 15, Dunn	35	124.50
Team 16, Hayward	9	53.00
Team 17, Ditton	34	166.25
Team 18, Washburn	48	177.00
Team 19, Harris	33	171.50
Team 20, Marshfield	15	115.50
	286	$1393.05
Boys' Teams		$3100.00
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EXPLOSION KILLS MAN

Large Tank in East Cambridge Viscol Plant Burst Into Flames —Two Dying

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—An explosion of a large tank of waterproofing fluid, which killed one man instantly and left two others so seriously burned that there is no hope for their recovery, threw the whole operating force of the East Cambridge factory of the Viscol company into a panic yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock.

The jar of the explosion, the screams of the unfortunate men whose clothes were saturated by the stream of liquid fire which belched forth from the tank, and the crash of shattered glass which followed the detonation, sent men and women tumbling over each other in the first wild rush for the stairways and exits. Men jumped from windows of the second floor, some of them without stopping to raise the sashes.

Martin Flanigan of 19 1-2 Durham street, Somerville, was instantly killed and his body cooked to a crisp.

Patrick Flanigan, Martin's brother, who lives at 19 Prescott street, Somerville, is thought to be dying at the Cambridge relief hospital from burns about his head, face and arms.

Edward Nester, of 101 Russell street, Charlestown, is also at the Cambridge relief hospital on the dangerous list and the doctors say there is no chance for him to live more than a few days. His body from the neck down is a mass of burns.

As soon as the first dressings had been applied to the injuries of the latter two men last night, the Rev. Dennis W. Brown of St. Mary's church, Cambridge, was summoned to administer the last rites of the church.

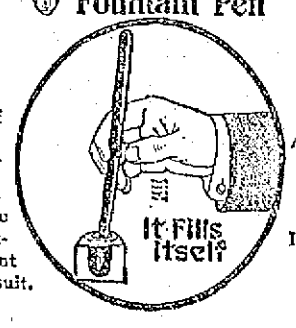
According to Medical Examiner William D. Swan and Adolph Sommer, owner of the factory, the explosion was caused by the bursting of an electric light bulb in the hands of Martin Flanigan, as he peered into the tank. The tank held hundreds of gallons of clarol, one of the various kinds of waterproofing fluids which is manufactured by the Viscol company. The tank where the disaster occurred was one of three large storage tanks. This tank rests on the first floor and rises up through an opening in the second floor which is slightly larger than the tank. Martin Flanigan's body, burned beyond recognition, was hurled 20 feet away from the tank. Nestor, who was near by, was completely enveloped in the flaming gas. He was knocked, unconscious, to the floor. The flames and the force of the explosion tore nearly all the flesh from his hands.

Patrick Flanigan, Martin's elder brother, was near the base of the tank on the first floor. Half stunned by the force of the explosion, he instinctively looked upward. He was blinded by a deluge of flaming clarol which came down from above. His ears were burned from his head. Although he was burned only about the head and arms, the burns were so deep that his name is on the dangerous list.

In the room next to the tank room about 20 women and several men were at work. Immediately all was in an uproar. Frank Viera of 181 Dudley street, Roxbury, in his haste to reach safety plunged through a pane of glass in a window and received a deep gash in his right arm. He was treated at the relief hospital and allowed to go home. In the rush for the windows and stairways, many were knocked down and bruised, but no one was seriously injured.

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HOLIDAY TO SAVE BANKS

PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT HUERTA STOPS PAYING OF MONEY IN MEXICO UNTIL NEW YEAR'S

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—By a presidential decree issued yesterday afternoon, every day, until the end of the present year is made a legal holiday in order to check the runs on the banks here, particularly that on the Bank of London and Mexico.

On the promulgation of this decree, the Bank of London and Mexico opened its doors, but refrained from paying deposits.

Provisional President Huerta, in the decree, says he deems such action necessary in order to protect the banks until public confidence is more nearly restored. The banks by this decree are absolved from meeting any obligation until Jan. 2. It applies to all banking houses, whether a bank of issue or not.

With the exception of the Bank of London and Mexico and the Central bank, none has yet taken advantage of the decree and business at the other institutions is being conducted as usual. Crowds gathered about the doors of the two banks mentioned, but there was no disorder. Both banks are being guarded by a strong force of police.

LAWYER HELD

Faces Indictment Alleging the Larceny of $10,000 in Securities

BOSTON, Dec. 23. Herbert E. Dennison, 46 years old, of 19 Aberdeen street, an attorney and member of the Boston bar, wanted on an indictment warrant issued a few days ago charging larceny of securities valued at $10,000, surrendered to Inspector Silas Waite late yesterday afternoon after learning that he was wanted.

After a period of grace under the custody of Inspector Waite, during which he failed to get bail, Dennison was sent to Charles street jail, awaiting arraignment.

The warrant secured by Bernard E. Carbin, attorney for Mrs. Flora E. Allen of 142 Huntington avenue, states that Dennison in 1908 and 1909 fraudulently represented the standing of the United States Construction and Supply company, of which he was president, and took the securities in exchange for stock in the company. The securities are said to be 35 shares of Union Pacific railroad stock, 30 shares in the Safety Car Heating and Lighting company, and three bonds for $1000 in the Chicago and North Michigan railroad.

The United States Construction and Supply company was restrained from doing business by the United States supreme court, on Nov. 20, 1910, for non-payment of corporation taxes, and on May 24, 1912, the International Trust company of 45 Milk street, holders of a trustee's mortgage, foreclosed it, selling the effects of the company at auction. The stock and bonds of the company are worthless according to the complaint.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intentions have been recorded at City Clerk Flynn's office since the last were published:

Paul R. Staples, 27, operative, 7 Bleachery street, and Hazel M. Saunders, 24, hurler, 65 St. James street.

James F. McCormack, 22, shoe cutter, 6 Dane street, and Gertrude M. Bird, 18, at home, 330 School street.

Charles McQueen, 22, folder, 853 Gorham street, and Lillian Fowler, 24, operative, same address.

Arthur Pintal, 20, hosiery, 367 Moody street, and Delia Gagay 18, hosiery, 3 Dalton street.

Joao de Castro, 23, operative, 26 Charles street, and Ludorina de Jesus, 22, operative, same address.

Lawrence Rabourin, 19, electrician, 21 Tremont street, and Alden Lambert, 19, operative, 129 East Merrimack street.

Leroy C. Bliss, 22, steamfitter, Chelmsford, and Charlotta B. Baker, 20, at home, 258 Westford street.

Clement Lafortune, 24, clerk, Hall street, and Marie A. Dufresne, 20, hosiery, 189 Hall street.

Frank E. Wing, 25, fireman, 704 Merrimack street, and Annabelle Johnston, 20, weaver, 20 West Ninth street.

Eugene Corcoran, 25, shoe shop, 704 Merrimack street, and Mathilde Lafontoine, 18, hosiery, 447 Moody street.

Emile E. Paquin, 19, shoe shop, 135 White street, and Alice R. Bouland, 19, operative, 120 Aiken street.

William Dyer, 24 teamster, 154 Smith street, and Mary A. Teague, 23, spooler, same address.

Edgar Kennedy, 18, machinist, Tyngsboro, and Irene E. Davis, 18, at home, 62 Middlesex street.

William Hennessy, 39, operative, 8 Tilden street, and Lizzie Pepin, 27, housekeeper, same address.

John J. Whittaker, 45, woolsorter, 25 Cornell street, and Charlotte M. Dawson, 43, at home, Tyngsboro.

Charles Marcotte, 22, laborer, 193 Hall street, and Delvina Veillette, 19, hosiery, 8 Race street.

Arthur H. Rogers, 27, machinist, 27 Wilson street, and Annie E. Kelly, 24, weaver, 418 Middlesex street.

WHAT RED CROSS SEALS DO

Every Red Cross Christmas Seal that is sold is a real bullet in the fight against tuberculosis. These seals last year helped to support thousands of needy tuberculosis patients and to give them a chance for life. They provided for many visiting nurses, whose hundreds of thousands visits brought instruction and cheer to numerous patients. They helped maintain dispensaries in scores of cities from the Atlantic to the Pacific, where thousands of consumptive patients receive free treatment, aid and advice. They provided the means to purchase millions of copies of circulars, pamphlets and other literature with which the public has been educated about tuberculosis. They have established and helped to maintain more than 150 open-air schools for children who needed open-air treatment. These are just a few of the ways in which the $400,000 received last year was expended. This year $1,000,000 is needed. Surely every one can help by buying at least ten seals.

The Lowell Guild is the local agency for the Red Cross stamps.

DIAMOND NOTES

Duffy Lewis has a waistcoat that would dazzle and delight Chubby Charley Waistcoat Murphy of the Cubs. Murphy squanders as much money on fancy vests in a year as he pays some of his players, but he never obtained a waistcoat that could hold a candle to Lewis' latest. The garment is made of velvet and has diamond set buttons. If Lewis is ever traded, by all means let Chubby Charley have him.

The official batting averages for the American association show Henri Rondeau, the Woonsocket Frenchman, formerly with Jesse Burkett at Worcester and later with the Detroit Tigers, batting for .378 in 19 game, the past season, but the real leader of the association was Larry Chappelle of Milwaukee, later acquired by Jimmy Callahan of the Chicago White Sox, who hit in 85 games for .340. Eddie Eayrs, the one-time Brown college pitcher, was second in the list of A. A. swatters, hitting .372 in 27 contests. "Lena" Blackburne, former Worcester shortstop, hit .265 in 165 games for Milwaukee.

Morton F. Plant, millionaire owner of the New London baseball club, has a treat in store for the 1914 baseball team. Through Gene McCann, manager, he announces that the team will train at Tampa, Fla., the winter home of the club owner. The squad will leave about March 10. It is the first time in history that a small league team was afforded the opportunity of a real southern trip as a means of being conditioned for the ensuing campaign. Of course Springfield has been to Asbury Park, N. J., but Tampa! That's big league stuff.

Tyrus Raymond Cobb, according to a letter received at Detroit, has branched out as an inventor, with a baseball bat an implement with whose use he is considered fairly familiar, the subject of his experiments and improvements. And, according to his claims, the new model that he has developed is going to increase the batting averages next season. As Cobb himself has hit over .400 on his grand average for the past three years, and presumably will be one of the users of the new bat, his words are not cheering to the major league boxmen.

This bat's point of difference from other bludgeon's lies in the fact that it has a layer of cork applied to the handle, inset so that it is flush with the wood. It eliminates the stinging of the hands, and enables the batsman to get a better grip. Use of tape, which frequently blisters a batter's hands, is, of course, done away with. Cobb has experimented with the bat at Augusta, and says that the protection it gives the hands cannot be estimated until one has tried it.

Nothing in the rules prevents the use of a bat of this sort, as long as it complies with the provisions in regard to length, diameter and weight. As Tyrus is interested in a sporting goods concern that manufactures and markets baseball paraphernalia, he will turn over the model to that house, so that the new bat can be displayed with the standard sticks when the spring rush for baseball goods begins.

Tinker has a high opinion of Manager Robinson of the Brooklyns. In a Chicago interview Tinker says that Robbie will be a successful team leader and that it will be a pleasure to work under him.

"Robinson is a fine fellow personally," says the Dodgers' star shortstop, "and he knows baseball from top to bottom. He was of great assistance to McGraw and at the head of the Brooklyn team he will employ McGraw's methods. When Bubbie gets hold of the Brooklyn pitchers in the spring he will first put them in perfect physical condition so that they can stand the hardest kind of work. He knows how to improve a pitcher's work and how to use the boxmen in rotation.

"Unless I am mistaken, Robbie will institute up to date methods of team play at the bat. He believes in doing the unexpected, which is real baseball. Last season the Brooklyns played the old straightaway game, which was easily solved by their opponents. Everybody knew their signs and yet the system never was changed. Cutshaw is one of the best young second basemen in the game and I feel sure that I will be able to work with him successfully. Rede Smith is a good third baseman while Daubert is in a class by himself.

"Robinson will have two great catchers in Miller and Fischer, a first class outfield with Wheat, Stengel, Collins or Riggert in the lineup, while I firmly believe that Rucker, Ragan and Reulbach, backed up by some fine youngsters, will provide plenty of first class pitching. When the Brooklyns get into smooth working order they will make it extremely interesting for the other National league teams, particularly the Giants."

Robinson is reported to be after a veteran player to act as assistant coach. If Kid Gleason can get away from the Chicago White Sox he will be engaged. If not Robinson may sign Duke Farrell, the former catcher of the Giants, Brooklyns and Red Sox.

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REV. EDMUND CORNELL

FORMER PASTOR OF ST. ANDREW'S, NO. BILLERICA, GOES TO CHURCH AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Rev. Edmund J. Cornell, O. M. I., former pastor of St. Andrew's church, North Billerica, and later connected with the Sacred Heart church, Lowell, has been assigned to the position of assistant pastor of St. Benedict's church, Seattle, Wash. The reverend gentleman left this city Sunday, but before reporting for duty he will visit relatives in various places in Canada.

Rev. Fr. Cornell was pastor of St. Andrew's church, North Billerica, for four years and completed his work a short time ago when the cardinal appointed a secular priest in charge of the church. During his stay in Billerica the clergyman made a host of friends, who unite in wishing him success in his new field. Fr. Cornell in his new field will be associated with two former Lowell priests, Rev. Eugene A. Dorgan, O. M. I., former pastor of the Immaculate Conception church, and Rev. Patrick McGrath, O. M. I., another former priest of the same parish.

Fr. Cornell recently conducted a week's retreat at the Sacred Heart church and it proved a great success. He is very well known in this city and his numerous friends wish him success in his new field.

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GIRL STRUCK BY AUTO

Six-year-old Beatrice Lalanne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lalanne of 42 Lee street, was struck down at the corner of Paige and John streets at 12.05 o'clock today by the auto truck owned and operated by Fred P. Vinal, the Dracut contractor. The little girl was thrown to the pavement and one of the front wheels passed over her body, spectators say.

Mr. Vinal was driving at a very moderate rate of speed when the accident occurred as he was drawing up at the curbing in front of the high school annex on Paige street, preparatory to stopping his engine while he went to luncheon. The child, according to those who witnessed the accident, stepped off the sidewalk into the street directly in front of the auto.

Even with his engine throttled down to minimum speed Mr. Vinal found it impossible to stop his machine in time to avoid striking the little girl but made an emergency stop within a few feet of where the accident occurred. The child was immediately picked up by a relative and hurried to her home before Mr. Vinal had an opportunity to carry her home in the machine.

The victim of the accident was badly bruised on the left side of her face and her left hand is also probably broken. The child was badly shaken up as well as suffering from bruises on various parts of her body. Dr. Pillsbury was summoned to the Lalanne home and arrived there in a short time and dressed the child's injuries.

MINISTER DIES AT 86

WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—Rev. William A. Fobes, 86 years old, a retired Congregationalist minister died here today from paralysis.

LOOKING FOR LOBBY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Investigation to disclose whether a lobby exists to influence appropriations and legislation for the District of Columbia and business corporations of the city was proposed in a resolution today by Rep. Prouty of Iowa.

ABLE PASTORAL LETTER

Issued by Cardinal O'Connell and Read in Catholic Churches Yesterday

The pastoral letter of His Eminence, Cardinal O'Connell, read in all the Catholic churches of the diocese yesterday dealt with the glory of parenthood, and held up the sanctity of the home at Nazareth as the model for Christian parents. The letter deals also with the obligation of parents to give their children a religious education, on which point His Eminence says:

"The absence of the religious motive in the system of education generally prevailing in our country has resulted in the undermining of that respect for authority which is a necessary condition for the observance of law. Parental authority has been shattered to a degree that is alarming, until it may be said that in a large percentage of homes it is not the parents, but the children who rule."

The letter in part was as follows:

To the Reverend Clergy and People of the Diocese, Health and Benediction:

Once again God brings us face to face with the mystery of Christmas. Once again our Holy Mother, the Church, summons us to go over to Bethlehem to see the wonder that has come to pass, and to ponder in our hearts the depth of its meaning.

We kneel again with the astonished shepherds before the humble manger, which the wisdom of God has made the throne of love from which His Son shall teach and rule the world. With adoring hearts we gaze upon the sweetness and tenderness of Infinite Love made visible in the Divine Babe, who to the appealing helplessness of infancy unites the power that sustains the world. With reverent admiration we look upon the rapt ecstasy of the Virgin Mother and the anxious solicitude of the protecting foster-father.

O, the depth of the riches of the wisdom of God!

What King ever had such throne-room as a stable: Yet to the stable of Bethlehem every year the human race makes pilgrimage, and at the feet of the Infant royalty lays down its sceptre, genius its laurel wreath—every worshipper his heart. Though all the great and noble of the world accompany us, yet we are conscious of three figures only, Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

The Family

Many and profound were the purposes which the Son of God had in coming to earth and taking our human nature. And surely one of the deepest most touching and far-reaching was that He might regenerate the family and put it for all time on its right basis. His redeeming grace, won for all on Calvary, touches the spiritual soul directly, regenerates it, mystifies it. But in the plan of God's providence the family is the nursery in which the tender plants, given life and nourishment by God's grace, grow up into mature strength and beauty.

The creator might have called into existence the race of men as He called into being the angelic hosts—each individual possessing at the moment of creation the powers of perfect maturity.

But He did not so will. In his infinite wisdom, knowing what was to be in the heart He was about to create, He gave so that what was tenderest, most lovable and most holy would be developed and conserved through the institution of the family—father, mother and children—the earthly trio which, in the distinctness of its personalities and the unity of its common life, should be a beautiful, if remote, reflection of the Holy Trinity.

In like manner, the Son of God when he came to earth, might be expected to form for Himself a perfect body in the full enjoyment of maturity, and to take that human form to Himself. But He did not choose so to do. He chose rather to become a babe; to take from the pure flesh of the Virgin Mother that precious body that one day was to hang upon the cross, and to draw from the reservoir of her immaculate heart the blood that one day should pour itself out in a rich tide of redemption. Who does not see in this choice the infinite wisdom of God? And who does not see what the Incarnate Son of God would teach us by being born into a home, by growing up in a home, by submitting Himself to the restraints and laws of family life?

He would focus the attention of the world upon the family. He would set up for the imitation of all generations the perfect family. He became a child himself, that he might sanctify childhood; that he might win for himself the heart of every child and keep it holy; and that, ever remembering the Babe of Bethlehem, the Child of Egypt, the Boy of Nazareth, he might know that Childhood is a most sacred state, that it belongs to God, that God watches over it with a divine jealousy and that his wrath will strike all who make themselves a stumbling block to it.

The Holy Family

Christian fathers and mothers, study the pattern that is set up for you. The Son of God Himself has come to earth to teach you. The holiest, loveliest of earth's daughters, the sinless Virgin, the Immaculate Mother, He gives to Christian mothers to inspire, sustain and embolden them in the unwearying discharge of duties highly conceived and nobly performed even at the cost of constant sacrifice.

The Model Home

The home at Nazareth is the model for every Christian home. To you, too, Christian fathers and mothers, God has entrusted a priceless treasure, the product of His creative power, a child. This child, who through the expanse of eternity has been in the thought and love of the Creator bears within him the likeness of the Creator; by adoption he is the child of God; he is the brother of Jesus Christ and co-heir with Him to an eternal kingdom in the heavens.

The First Teacher

The mother is the first, the most persuasive and the most effective, because the most loved, teacher. The child is all her own during the years when it is most docile, entirely trustful and easy to mold as wax. It is her high privilege, as it is her most solemn obligation, to put a deep and tender love of God, of Jesus and His Blessed Mother into the heart of her child before even it leaves the family sheepfold for the instruction of church and school.

If she fails in this, she is guilty of a heinous crime against the soul of her own child. Under the pretence that the child is too young to understand religion, she has thrown away a priceless opportunity; she has allowed the dewy morning of the soul's Springtime to pass without sowing those seeds of virtue which would have had all the quicker and more fruitful growth because planted in a virgin soul with no weed to choke or hostile influence to blight it.

The School

The education of the child, which is its training for full and useful life, begins in the home and, until the school age is reached, is entirely what its parents make it. Parents are the divinely appointed teachers of their children. Upon them rests the responsibility for the proper development of the mind and the formation of the character of their offspring. They cannot shift this heavy responsibility to others. If they themselves are unable to give the training that will properly fit their children for their place in human society, they may delegate their authority to others who will teach in their stead, but even then, they cannot divest themselves of the obligation of a personal supervision of their children.

Need of Parental Example

Even when the child has the advantage of being educated in a religious school, it remains the function of the home to give force and point to the lessons in virtue and religion learned in the class room. There must be no contradiction between what the child learns in the school and what he sees in the home.

Let fathers and mothers strive with scrupulous care to reproduce in their own home, so far as it is possible for them, the deep religious atmosphere of the holy house of Nazareth. In every Catholic family, let God have what is His strict right—first place, always. Let reverence for holy things and the spirit of prayer, let patience and gentleness, purity and sobriety, charity and sweet affection be the very air which your children shall breathe.

The Child in the Secular School

If such care is needed in the home, even when the child is surrounded with safeguards and the help which the religious school furnishes in such abundance, what multiplied solicitude, what unsleeping vigilance, what added personal work are not required when the child is deprived of the advantages of a religious education in the school, and when the task of his spiritual formation is thrown almost entirely on the parents.

The short hour in the Sunday school is altogether insufficient to give the child that grasp of the doctrines and principles of our holy religion that, later in life, will be proof against the temptations to unbelief or religious indifference.

The work of the Sunday school must be supplemented by the work of the parents; and if the parents feel themselves unequal to giving extended instruction on the teachings of the church, let them at least be rigorous in requiring their children to study thoroughly at home the weekly catechism lesson, and let them form in their children from their earliest years the habit of regular reading of Catholic books and papers suited to their age and needs.

Let these parents remember that the formation of the mind on the lines of Catholic principles and doctrines is only a part of religious education; the heart of the child must be drawn to love God more and more, and his will strengthened to keep God's law ever more and more perfectly.

Catholic parents must strive all the more resolutely to put into the hearts of their children reverence for God's holy law and for all that pertains to Him, because irreverence towards holy things and contemptuous disregard of all authority, human and divine, are crying sins of our age and country.

The absence of the religious motive in the system of education generally prevailing in our country has resulted in the undermining of that respect for authority which is a necessary condition for the observance of the law. Parental authority has been shattered to a degree that is alarming, until it may be said that in a large percentage of homes it is not the parents but the children who rule.

From disregard of parental rule to disregard of civil and divine law is a logical step. And underneath it all is one of the false principles of our times, that the individual is supreme, and that what the individual likes and wishes is, for him, the law of conduct.

Dignity of Parents

Christian parents, recall to yourselves again and again the high vocation to which you are called. In a true sense you are "a holy priesthood," for you are called to offer to God a chaste generation of holy souls.

If you are to fulfill that high office you yourselves must be holy. You yourselves must set the example of every virtue which you wish to see shine in your children. Example is the most potent teacher. Virtue has its contagion, as well as vice, and looking daily at the pattern of your lives your children will unconsciously imitate you.

Be not discouraged by the difficulties or the length of your work. Remember that you will save your own soul if you save the souls of your children.

God will not be wanting. He who came to earth to set up the type of the perfect family is with us always in the tabernacle. Go to Him and He will give you power to make your home a nursery of virtue and a vestibule of heaven.

Here, therefore, is the lesson of Christ to the Christian family at this blessed time of his coming as a babe in Bethlehem.

CONTAGIOUS HOSPITAL

FIRST SUGGESTED BY EX-MAYOR CASEY, BUT TURNED DOWN BY ALDERMEN

Speaking about the proposed contagious hospital Alderman Cummings said that Hon. James B. Casey was the first man to mention contagious hospital in Lowell. Mr. Cummings says that Mr. Casey, as a member of the common council over 13 years ago, submitted a proposition for a contagious hospital and that he and Mr. Casey went to Worcester at that time to secure information concerning such hospitals.

He says that Mr. Casey submitted a report which was accepted in the council and turned down in the board of aldermen. Mr. Cummings says that if the report had not been held up the hospital would have been built a decade ago.

FUNERAL NOTICE

WOODWARD—The funeral of Merrill Woodward will take place Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his home in North Chelmsford. Friends invited. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

DEATHS

DOHERTY—Mrs. Mary Doherty, an old resident, died today at the Chelmsford street hospital, aged 78 years. She leaves one son, Frank Doherty. The body was taken to the chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

ATWOOD—Died at the residence of her son, John Durgin in East Chelmsford, Dec. 22, Elvira Atwood, widow of George W. Atwood, aged 81 years, 6 months.

SMALLPOX ON WARSHIP

CHARLESTOWN, S. C., Dec. 22.—Two new cases of smallpox developed on the battleship Ohio on her way here from Guantanamo. All teh crew were vaccinated on Dec. 16 and only four more days remain within the period of incubation. As the local quarantine station lacks facilities for handling the men ashore, the ship may be ordered to another port for fumigation.

LIVELY GRASS FIRE

A telephone alarm at 11.42 sent hose 4 out to Hanks street, where a grass fire was burning merrily in back of the Rogers Hall school. The flames were promptly smothered by the firemen, however, before any damage was done to the adjacent property.

AT ROGERS HALL

Students Have All Gone on Their Vacations—Some to the West

All the students of Rogers hall school have left this city for their homes all over the country, to spend the annual Christmas recess granted by the faculty. The girls at this school are allowed more time for their Christmas vacation than those of any other local institution and this year they will not return until January 6.

Some of the students are to travel as far west as Arkansas and Nebraska to spend their Christmas holidays and others will go south to Virginia or other states. Some of the undergraduates live within a day's journey from Lowell, however.

The long vacation makes it possible for the students living at distant parts to reach their homes for Christmas, without leaving school before the actual beginning of the vacation. Likewise, the recess has been arranged to permit the girls to remain at their homes at least as late as New Year's day, so that even those who live near the Pacific coast will have over a week at home.

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Charitable Gifts and Donations in U. S. During Last 12 Months

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Charitable gifts and donations to educational institutions in the United States during the last 12 months amount to over $80,000,000, or at the rate of $2.91 for every tick of the clock, according to a compilation published here today. The bequest of Benjamin Altman, valued at $16,000,000, to the Metropolitan museum of New York, heads the list and the gift of $10,000,000 by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to put an end to "white slavery" is second. Colonel O. P. Palne's gift of $4,350,000 to Cornell comes next in size and is followed by F. S. Thompson's gift of $3,665,000 to Princeton university. Andrew Carnegie's 15 donations aggregated $3,633,000 and the next largest gift was $2,000,000, the sum given to Washington and Lee university by Robert P. Doremus.

WATCH FOR MEXICAN GENERAL

PRESIDIO, Texas, Dec. 22.—United States troops patrolling the border are watching today for General Salvador Mercado, deposed commander of the Mexican federal troops who was reported to have crossed over to the American side from Ojinaga, possibly with a view of making his way to Mexico City. It was not believed Mercado would be arrested should he be found in this country as he was said to have traveled as a civilian.

PRESIDENT IN GOOD FORM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson had the glow of health on his cheeks and looked as well as ever when he met the Washington correspondents at a regular Monday morning conference today for the first time in several weeks.

STEAMER ARRIVES

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 22.—Arrives steamer Pretorian, Glasgow.

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Double Snake Scarf, and large Pillow Muff.

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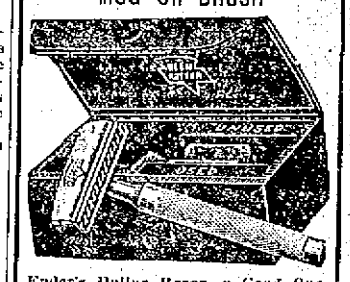
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1300 RESCUED BY STEAMERS

PARIS, Dec. 22.—Fresh eruptions have caused further destruction of life among the natives of the island of Ambrim in the new Hebrides group, according to a report received today at the ministry of marine from the captain of the gunboat Kersaint on his arrival at Noumea, New Caledonia.

Dip Point, on the western coast of the island, has been buried beneath a heavy fall of cinders and many of its inhabitants are missing. Two local steamers rescued 1300 natives and it is estimated that over 500 have perished. No Europeans or Americans have been killed.

VISITS PRESIDENT

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, British Ambassador, at Washington Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, called on President Wilson today for the first time since last spring. The ambassador has only recently recovered from a long illness. He presented a copy of an embossed address to the president from the people of Chelsea, England. In that town the mother of the president was born and there, from 1820 to 1835, the president's grandfather, the Rev. Thomas Woodrow, was pastor of the Congregationalist church.

Jules Jusserand, the French ambassador, introduced to the president today the new military attache of the French embassy, Captain De Sauvigny.

LOSS $1,250,000

PORTSMOUTH, Eng., Dec. 22.—A fire, involving damage variously estimated at from $1,250,000 to $2,500,000, devastated the famous dock yard here Saturday night and resulted in the loss of two lives and the destruction of the century-old semaphore tower, which in the pretelegraph days was the great signaling station between the fleet and the admiralty.

REBEL CONTROL

Gen. Villa Impervious to Attack by Federals at Chihuahua

CHIHUAHUA, Dec. 22.—Rebel control of telegraph and railroad communication south and west of Chihuahua had today reached a point where General Villa believed he would be impervious to an attack by the few federal troops remaining in the north.

Gen. Villa believes that also the states of Sinaloa, Sonora, Durango and Chihuahua will be free of federal control.

Although 4000 federals at Ojinago on the border were reported to be preparing for action, Gen. Villa believed they would be unable to do more than destroy the railroad.

Gen. Villa said Chihuahua was too well fortified to fear an attack.

NOT GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Secretary Garrison has learned informally that Attorney General McReynolds probably will rule that John Burke, manager of the commissary department of the Panama railroad, whose transactions are under investigation, is an employe of a private corporation and not a government official. Such a ruling means that if the charges that Burke accepted gratuities from some contractors from whom commissary supplies were bought should be sustained Burke can be proceeded against civilly by the Panama railroad.

Meanwhile the investigation of Burke's dealings with contractors is being pushed by the Isthmian canal commission.

HURLED TO DEATH

Auto Fell Over Bridge and Woman Was Killed —Dropped 25 Feet

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—One person was killed and two were injured last night, when an automobile traveling along a driveway in upper Central park, dashed over the low stone coping of a bridge and dropped to a footpath, 25 feet below.

Miss Tessie Fitzgerald, 25 years old, of Peekskill, N. Y., who was visiting Miss Frances Lyman here, had her skull crushed against a rock and died instantly. Miss Lyman and another passenger in the car clung to a brass railing and were not thrown out, escaping with minor hurts. The chauffeur was uninjured and fled.

BIBLE SAVES MINISTER

BLAIRSVILLE, Penn., Dec. 22.—What is believed to have been a deliberate attempt to assassinate the Rev. Dr. R. E. McClure, pastor of the Blairsville United Presbyterian church and president of the Indiana County Anti-Saloon league, failed when a bullet fired at the minister penetrated a bible which he carried under his arm, and made a slight abrasion upon Dr. McClure's left side.

The authorities are searching for two men, one of whom fired two shots at the clergyman and who dropped his hat in escaping.

NAT. SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Medill McCormick of Chicago has accepted the chairmanship of the congressional committee of the National Suffrage association. This announcement was made at suffrage headquarters today. It was said that Mrs. McCormick would go to Washington at once.

GLYNN IN LYNN XMAS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Governor Glynn of New York and Mrs. Glynn will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Glynn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Magrane of Lynn.

They will arrive this afternoon. The visit will be the first the governor has made to this city since he was married here, more than 10 years ago.

Governor Glynn and his wife will be entertained in Boston during a portion of their visit.

FIGHT OVER MAN'S BODY

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Several arrests will probably follow today the attempt Saturday night of relatives and friends of Nathan Dimond to prevent undertakers from removing his body from his home, 3 Calvert place, to the City hospital morgue after he had been killed by a fall in the hallway.

Two patrolmen lost their badges and had their helmets smashed in the mixup, and another lost the buttons off his coat. The police were unable to make the relatives understand that it was necessary for the body to be removed so that Assistant Medical Examiner Timothy Leary might perform an autopsy.

Nathan, who was 60 years old and quite feeble, fell over the balustrade from the second landing of the stairway, sustaining a fractured skull. His son, Isaac Dimond, found him and notified the police.

PITCHER IN PULPIT

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 22.—"Well, boys, I'm not used to pitching out of a box like this," Eugene Packard, left-hander twirler for the Cincinnatis, said when he substituted for the pastor at the Oakhurst Methodist church here last night. Packard, who lives in Kansas City, occupied the pulpit at a gathering to interest young men in an anti-saloon campaign.

"You boys may have some idea about baseball," Packard said. "I know I did. You boys may never be major leaguers but if you have an ideal in life and a determination to leave liquor and cigarets alone you'll be a success in some business."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

SCHUMANN-HEINK SUES FOR DIVORCE

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Suit for divorce was filed here today by Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink, the singer, against her husband, William Rapp. Desertion is the charge. They were married here in May, 1905, and the contralto since has made Chicago her residence. Rapp deserted her two years ago, she alleges. They had no children.

Temperamental and family differences are said to have estranged the Rapps. Madame Schumann-Heink had eight children by her two former marriages. That she would seek a divorce from Rapp has been known for some time to her friends.

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Did You Ever Hear a Woman Say—

"I know the stores put up prices for Christmas. You know holiday goods can only be sold once a year and they have to make a big profit on them."

No boosted Christmas prices here.

Our policy is "Year 'round prices for the holidays."

A 50c Necktie is a 50c Necktie here 365 days in the year. It doesn't go into a box and masquerade as a 75c tie from Thanksgiving to Christmas!

When a man or woman receives a gift purchased at the Merrimack store we want the fact that it was purchased here to enhance the appreciation and enjoyment of the recipient and we strive to accomplish that end.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR WOMEN
CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR BOYS

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Gift Ideas for Christmas

Today our buyers are again in the market. Saturday we did such a large business that our stocks have to be brightened. This gives us a chance to clean out some of the wholesalers at a reduction. Come in and see what we offer at low cash prices. The lots may be too small to advertise.

GIFTS GIFTS GIFTS

CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS

Men's Sample Slippers at $1.25—Regular prices $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50.

Men's $1.50 Slippers at 98c—Black and tan, Opera, Everett and Romeo style. All leathers.

Men's 75c Slippers at 49c—Black and tan leathers. All sizes.

Boys' $1.50 Moccasins at $1.25—Tan soft elk skin; hand sewed.

Boys' 50c Slippers at 39c—Black and tan leathers. All sizes.

Ladies' $1.50 E. Z. Slippers at 98c—Soft felt slippers, cushion sole; plain and fancy colors.

Ladies' $1.00 to $1.50 Slippers at 69c—Felt Juliette, fur or ribbon trimmed, in red, black, brown, blue, wine and green.

Ladies' 75c to $1.00 Slippers at 55c—Felt Slippers, in plain and fancy colors, fur or ribbon trimmed.

Girls' 75c Slippers at 49c—Red and gray felt slippers, fur or fancy felt trimmed; sizes 5 to 12.

Girls' 50c Slippers at 25c—Crocheted slippers, in red, blue, pink and blue.

WOMEN'S BATHROBES

Styles Found Only Here

Blanket Robes of fancy colored double-faced materials; collar, cuffs and pockets trimmed with satin to match. Attractive combinations of all colors .....$4.49 and $4.98

Blanket Robes, made of fancy double-faced material, in red, navy, brown, pink, grays and light blue. $2.98, $3.49 and $3.93

KIMONOS

Long Flannelette Kimonos, in all colors, satin trimmed, empire make. Christmas box $1.69

Long Flannelette Kimonos, fancy colors, large assortment of styles. Christmas box .....98c and $1.49

CHILDREN'S WEAR

Wool Booties .....10c to 75c
Worsted Sacques .....24c to 98c
Silk Hose 24c
Infants' Short White Dresses, 24c to $1.98
Worsted Sweaters, all colors, 24c to $1.98
Cashmere Sacques .....24c to 98c
Angora Bonnets .....$1.49 to $1.98
Infants' White Coats, long and short, $1.98 to $4.98
Children's Angora Mittens.....98c
Children's White Mittens.....24c

GIFT ART GOODS

Battenberg Table Covers, small and large .....49c to $1.98
Battenberg Scarfs .....49c to $1.49
Bureau Scarfs and Table Covers, linen, 49c to 98c

GIFT LEATHER GOODS

Women's Morocco Hand Bags, 49c and 98c
Women's Hand Bags, pin seal leather, 98c to $1.98
Imported Novelty Beaded Bags, 98c to $1.98
Silk Moire Bags, navy, black, brown, 98c to $1.49
Children's Fancy Beaded Bags.... 24c
Children's Hand Bags, leather, in all colors .....24c to 49c

GIFT HOSIERY

Women's Silk Hose, black, white and fancy colors .....49c to 98c
Women's Fine Cashmere Hose, 39c and 49c
Children's Fine Mercerized Hose, all colors 24c
Children's 2-in-2 Ribbed Hose, black, 24c
Children's Fine Cashmere Hose, all colors 24c

FANCY COMBS

Comb Sets, back and side, dark and amber .....49c and 98c Set
Barrettes in black, gray and amber, 9c to 49c
Fancy Back Combs with brilliants, 49c and 98c
Infants' Toilet Sets, blue, pink and white, ivory back.....24c and 49c

MEN'S FURNISHING DEPT.

Men's Negligee Shirts, 48c, 69c, 98c, $1.50
Men's Flannel Shirts, khaki, gray and blue 98c, $1.48, $1.98
Men's Pajamas, soisette, cheviot and flannelette 79c, $1.00, $1.50
Men's Night Shirts, flannelette, drill, 48c, 59c, 98c
Men's Arm Bands, in fancy boxes, 10c, 17c
Combination Sets—Arm Bands and Garters 25c, 48c, 75c, $1.00
Combination Sets—Jewelry and Tie, $1.00
Combination Sets—Tie, Hose, Handkerchiefs 48c, $1.00
Combination Sets—Belt and Garters, 48c, $1.00
Combination Sets—Cuffs, Buttons and Pin 25c, 48c
Men's Kid Gloves, lined and unlined, 79c, 98c, $1.15, $1.50
Men's Sweaters, ruff and V neck, all colors, 48c, 98c, $1.98, $2.98, $3.98, $5.00, $6.00, $7.00, $8.00.
Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas, mission and fancy handles, 48c, 69c, 98c, $1.50, $2.00
Men's Cane Umbrellas $5.00
Men's Pure Irish Linen Initial Handkerchiefs 12½c, 25c
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, 4 for 25c and 3 for 25c
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs in fancy boxes, 6 in a box, for..... 50c
Men's Pure Irish Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes, 6 in a box, for 75c
Men's Handkerchiefs.....5c, 6 for 25c
Men's Jersey Ribbed Underwear, 38c, 48c
Men's Wool Underwear, 98c, $1.25, $1.48, $1.98, $2.50
Men's Union Suits.....69c, 98c
Men's Silk Half Hose, all colors, 25c and 50c
Men's Wool Half Hose, all colors, 12½c, 24c, 48c
Men's Cotton Half Hose, all colors, 7c, 10c, 12½c
Men's Neckwear—
Four-in-Hands....24c, 35c, 48c, 65c
Button-on Tecks 10c, 24c, 48c
Band Tecks 24c, 48c
Bow Ties.....10c, 3 for 25c, and 25c
Men's Fur Caps.....$1.00, $2.00
Men's Golf Caps, 25c, 35c, 48c, 69c, $1.00
Men's Soft Felt Hats, 98c, $1.48, $1.98, $3.00
Men's Velour Hats $1.98, $3.00
Arrow Brand Collars, 2 for 25c, $1.50 Box

GIFT HANDKERCHIEFS

Ladies' All Linen Handkerchiefs, in boxes..6 for 50c, 6 for 75c, 6 for 98c
Ladies' All Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 6 styles in a box.... 98c
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, Longfellow initial, 3 in box, for.....25c Box
Children's Plain and Fancy Handkerchiefs, colored embroidered, 3 in box 25c
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, corner embroidered .....12½c, 25c and 75c

GIFT APRONS

Fancy Tea Aprons, all styles, 24c, 49c, 59c, 75c, 98c
Fancy Sewing Aprons.....24c and 49c
White Skirt Aprons.....24c and 49c
Maids' and Waitresses Aprons, 24c and 49c
Gingham and Percale Kimona Aprons, 49c

GIFT MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

Night Gowns, of all styles and qualities, Christmas box.....49c to $1.98
Combinations to match gowns, 49c to $1.98
Princess Slips, fine nainsook, 98c to $1.49
Chemises made of nainsook..... 98c
Corset Covers, large assortment, 24c to 98c
Ladies' Cotton Drawers, hamburg ruffle .....24c and 49c
Knitted Petticoats, gray, unbleached and black .....49c to 98c
Flannelette Petticoats, best quality, 24c and 49c
Flannelette Night Gowns.....49c to 98c
Dressing Sacques, flannelette, 49c, 75c

All in Fancy Christmas Boxes

GIFT DOLLS

Largest assortment in Dress Dolls, Kid Body, Campbell and Fancy Dolls, 24c to $2.50

GIFT JEWELRY

Pearl Beads, also Gold Neck Beads, 19c, 24c and 49c
Fancy Pendants, large assortment, 24c and 49c
Scarf Pins and Baby Pins.. 9c to 49c
Silver Coin and Vanity Purses, 24c to $1.49
Silver Mesh Bags, safety lock, 49c to $1.49
Long Silver Vanity Purses, at.....98c

GIFT WAISTS and NECKWEAR

Ladies' Lingerie and Voile Waists, 98c to $3.00
Ladies' Silk Waists.....$1.98 to $5.00
Ladies' Net Waists.....$1.98 to $5.00
Misses' Sweaters..... 98c to $6.00
Ladies' Sweaters .....$1.98 to $6.00
Ladies' Silk Quilted Vests..... $1.48
Ladies' Petticoats.....49c to $3.00
Ladies' Neckwear .....25c to $3.00
Ladies' Belts.....25c to $1.50
Ladies' Raincoats .....$1.98 to $8.00
Children's Raincapes.....98c to $1.98
Children's Raincoats and Hats... $3.98
Children's Furs .....98c to $6.00
Furs—Separate Muffs .....$1.98 up
Separate Neckpieces .....$2.98 up
Sets .....$5.98 up

BOYS' FURNISHINGS

Boys' Negligee Shirts.....35c, 45c
Boys' Sweaters, 48c, 98c, $1.48, $1.98, $2.98
Boys' Suspenders 10c, 15c, 25c
Boys' Winter Caps 25c 45c
Boys' Hockey Caps in all the new colors 25c, 45c
Boys' Kid Gloves, lined or unlined, 48c, 75c, 98c
Boys' Heavy Leather Gloves, 10c, 25c, 48c
Boys' Wool Gloves 25c, 48c
Boys' Bow Ties 10c
Boys' Four-in-Hand Ties, 10c, 12½c, 24c
Boys' Windsor Ties 25c
Boys' Union Suits 35c, 48c
Boys' Jersey and Fleece Lined Underwear 24c, 45c
Boys' Wool Underwear..... 45c
Boys' Wool Fleece Lined Underwear, Wright Health 45c

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From Yesterday's Late Editions

FOR REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING STOCK MARKET SEE LATER EDITIONS

PRES. VAIL TALKS

Says Dissolution of the Phone Trust Will Not Cause Reorganization

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—When the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and when the Western Union company reach the parting of the ways, as provided for under the agreement reached with Attorney General McReynolds, there will not be the slightest need for the realignment of the organization of either concern, according to a statement made by President Theodore Vail of the telephone company.

"We built up the mutual interests of the American company and the Western Union in such a way," Mr. Vail said, "that we did not encumber ourselves with an organization that would have to be broken up in case the companies should withdraw from the arrangement. In other words the organization of each concern was rigidly maintained and preserved and when they draw apart each will carry with it as perfect an organization as when the two entered into mutual relations."

The officials of the Western Union company are: Theodore N. Vail, president; Newcomb Carlton, vice president; William Baker, secretary, and A. R. Brewer, treasurer.

With the exception of Mr. Vail none of these men is an officer of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

DONT EAT RAW MEAT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—To prevent the spread of trichinosis, a dread disease little known to the American people, the department of agriculture last night issued a warning against the consumption of raw or uncooked pork products, the declared source of the malady.

In many districts of the country, particularly those with large foreign populations, the statement said, large quantities of pork are consumed during the Christmas season, resulting frequently in cases of seriously impaired health, if not in fatalities.

XMAS

Hardware Hints

Pocket Knives...10c to $1.50
Scissors and Shears, 10c to $1.00
Carving Sets, $1.25 to $5.00
Silver Plated Knives and Forks.....$2.50, $3.50
Set of 12 pieces.
White Handled Knives and Forks.....$3.00, $5.00
Set of 12 pieces
Safety Razors in variety, $1 to $5
Safety Razor Blades, 5c, 10c
Razors.....$1, $1.50, $2.50
Strops.....25c to $1.00
"Pike Comb, Strop and Hone $1.00
Shaving Soap, per cake 10c
Shaving Powder, can....25c
Watches...$1, $1.50, $2
Sportsman's Tool Kit $1.50
Thermometers, wood, glass, tin.
Food Choppers (Universal) 85c to $5.00
X-Press Carts.....$1 to $5
Flexible Steering Sleds, 90c to $2.50
Nail Hammers.....25c up
Screw Drivers.....10c up
Saws .....50c up
Wrenches.....20c up
Hand Drills.....$1.25 up
Hockey Sticks....10c to 35c
Skate Straps.....15c pair
Ice Creepers.....10c to 35c

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THE PHONE TRUST

Fight of Clarence Mackay Brought About Dissolution

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The principal reason that the president has decided not to recommend government ownership of wires is found in an agreement reached by the American



1. THEODORE N. VAIL 2. CLARENCE MACKAY

Telephone and Telegraph company, commonly called the "telephone trust," through its vice president, N. C. Kingsbury, and Attorney-General McReynolds. Here are the terms of the agreement in brief: (1) The company is to dispose of its holdings of stock in the Western Union Telegraph company; (2) it is not to acquire control over any other telephone line in the future; (3) it is to allow independent telephone companies of the country the use of its interstate wires. Pres. Theodore N. Vail of the American Telephone and Telegraph company believes the new plan will work out successfully. The fight of Clarence Mackay, head of the Postal Telegraph company, brought about the dissolution of the trust more than any other cause, it is stated here.

KILLED BY HIS OWN TEAM

CROMPTON, R. I., Dec. 22.—Peter Broullaird, a teamster, was run over by his own team today and killed. While passing over a railroad crossing he was thrown from his seat under the wheels of the heavy truck, causing almost instant death. He was 50 years old.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

The annual feature at the Sunday school session in St. John's church yesterday was the presentation of the customary Christmas gifts to the pastor, Rev. Edmund T. Schofield, and his curate, Rev. E. C. Mitchell. The presentation of the gift was made by Helen McTeague, while the presentation address to the pastor was given by Miss Mary Murphy. Fr. Schofield thanked the children for their remembrance and the good Sisters of Notre Dame for their work, after which he extended his blessing to the children. Fr. Mitchell was also pleased with his gift and thanked the children for their remembrance and extended hearty wishes. The sisters who are in charge of the Sunday school were also remembered, and Rev. Fr. Schofield in behalf of the teachers, presented the gifts. There will be no session of the Sunday school next Sunday.

CHRISTMAS PIANOS

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IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES—SPECIAL PROGRAMS ARRANGED

All the Holy Name societies of this city are making preparations for the union service which will be held at St. Michael's church on the feast of the Holy Name, Jan. 18. The preacher for the occasion will be Rev. James J. McCarthy, state chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, who is universally known as a brilliant pulpit orator.

Immaculate Conception

The parish mass at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday was celebrated by Rev. Fr. O'Brien, O. M. I. There was no sermon, but the pastoral letter from Cardinal O'Connell was read.

In the afternoon a meeting of the junior branch of the Children of Mary sodality was held. This meeting had been called by the spiritual director, Rev. Fr. Sullivan, O. M. I., for the purpose of hearing the final report on the embroidery sale which was held last week at the Y. M. C. I. rooms. The various tables gave returns which showed that the result was far better than expected. Fr. Sullivan complimented the girls for the decorations and it was decided to make this sale an annual event. On Christmas day the masses will be celebrated at 6, 7.30, 9, 10 and solemn high mass at 11.

St. Patrick's

The masses on Christmas day at St. Patrick's church will be celebrated at 6, 7, 8.30, 9.30 and the high mass, which will be solemn, at 11 o'clock. Confessions will be heard on Wednesday afternoon and evening. The Holy Name society is making preparations for the union service and it is expected that this society will be as largely represented at the service as any other similar organization of the city.

A gang of men is now employed at the rectory in laying a fresh coating of paint and several other alterations are under way. The interior of the building will be given altogether a new appearance.

St. Joseph's

Rev. J. H. Racette, O. M. I., Ph. D., pastor of St. Joseph's parish, spoke at all the masses at St. Jean Baptiste church yesterday and his talk was in the line of congratulations to the parishioners for the success of the recent events conducted for the rebuilding of the church. He announced that on Christmas day the masses will be the same as on Sunday.

St. Michael's

The Holy Name society of St. Michael's parish held an important meeting last night and considerable business and transacted. The members were addressed by the spiritual director, Rev. Fr. Mullin, who spoke on the coming union service to be held at this church, and preparations were completed for the said service.

The masses at St. Michael's on Christmas day will be at the usual Sunday hours, 6.30, 8, 9 and 10.45, the latter to be a solemn service. Solemn vesper services will be held at 7 o'clock.

St. Margaret's

The committee in charge of the annual reunion of the members of St. Margaret's parish are hustling on the arrangements for the event which will be held at Associate hall on Jan. 18, and according to reports the affair will be the most successful ever conducted in that parish.

Tomorrow afternoon St. Elizabeth's guild will hold its annual Christmas tree at St. Peter's orphanage and the 120 children of the institution will be provided each with a suitable gift. Refreshments will be served and an entertainment program will be supplied by the children of the institution.

St. Peter's

Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan celebrated high mass at St. Peter's church yesterday and Rev. John F. Burns read the announcements. In place of the customary sermon the pastoral letter from the cardinal was read. On Christmas day the masses will be as on Sunday, but the 6 o'clock mass will be a high mass and the 11 o'clock a solemn high service.

Notre Dame de Lourdes

The high mass at Notre Dame de Lourdes church yesterday was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Leon Lamothe, O. M. I., while the cardinal's pastoral letter was read by Rev. J. B. A. Barette, O. M. I. The quarterly communion of the men of the parish will be held next Sunday at the 7.30 o'clock mass. The Cadets as well as the members of the Garde Sacre-Coeur will attend in their full regalia and the mass will be a military service. At the conclusion of the service breakfast will be served in the school hall. In the evening a reunion of the men will take place at the church and an appropriate sermon will be delivered by Rev. Fr. Barette, O. M. I.

Sacred Heart

The children of Sacred Heart parish were royally entertained by the pastor, Very Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., yesterday afternoon, when a Christmas tree was held in the lower church. The affair took place at 2.30 o'clock and was attended by 950 young ones, who were each presented with suitable gifts.

It is needless to say that the boys and girls' hearts thumped when they saw the large Christmas tree which had been installed in a corner of the temple. The pastor in very appropriate terms extended his Christmas greetings to his little friends and at the conclusion of the address, which was listened to with great interest, the gifts were distributed by the pastor and his assistants.

The masses Christmas day at this church will be celebrated on the same time as Sundays, 6, 7.30, 8.30, 9.30 and 11, the latter to be a solemn service. In the evening vesper services will be held and a feature of the solemnity will be a procession to the crib in which over 650 children will take part.

The members of the Holy Name society at their last meeting held their second smoke talk of the season and the affair was largely attended. The prizes for the recent whist and forty-five tournament were distributed and luncheon was served, the affair coming to a close with a varied entertainment program, those taking part being John Devlin, George Kerwin, Maurice O'Donnell of Billerica and Mr. Keefe, who delighted his audience with a saxophone solo. Remarks were made by the spiritual director, Rev. Fr. Flynn, O. M. I., and Rev. Frs. Wood and McDermott, O. M. I.

MEXICAN DIPLOMAT CHEERED

TOKIO, Dec. 22.—Francisco De La Barra, former provisional president of Mexico and now acting as special envoy to Japan to thank her for her participation in the Mexican centennial, was greeted with an ovation by the state dignitaries, officers of the army and navy, prominent business men and the public generally on his arrival today. A big crowd outside the railroad station formed lines and cheered the Mexican diplomat as he was driven to his hotel in a court carriage. Another crowd welcomed him on his arrival at the hotel. An elaborate program has been arranged for his entertainment and the emperor is to give a banquet in his honor on Christmas day.

JOB GOES A BEGGING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Uncle Sam has one job that apparently is going a begging. The place calls for an expert needlewoman to mend tattered and historic flags at West Point military academy. Thus far no one seems to have cared for the position.

The civil service commission recently sent broadcast application blanks for examinations for the vacancy from which it was hoped a large number of applicants might be secured. Although the position carries a salary of $3 a day, not a single person had applied for the place. The commission has about reached the conclusion that there is either a scarcity of needlewomen or the pay is not sufficiently attractive.

ARCTIC SHIP FROZEN IN

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—Notwithstanding the publication of interviews with persons who say they believe that Vilhjalmar Stefansson's Arctic ship Karluk under command of Captain Robert Bartlett must be lost, Stefansson's friends on the coast are not alarmed. When the expedition sailed Stefansson hoped the Karluk would not be clutched by the ice until it had attained a considerable distance northeast of Point Barrow. However, he found the ice close to the point and entered a lead with the intention of being frozen in. The ship was frozen in and is supposed to be drifting with the ice.

The danger always present in a lead is that its sides will close and crush the boat.

BRITISH ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Foster Stackhouse, who is organizing the British Antarctic expedition for next year, says 16 peers are among the 4800 applicants for places on the expedition, one peer being so eager to join that he has offered to become cook's "boy" if there is no other position for him.

GREAT SMOKE SALE

AT

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$35,000 Stock of Clothing and Furnishing Goods to Be Sacrificed

First of all we owe an apology to the persons who were kind enough to come into our place but could not be waited upon, on account of the tremendous rush we had last Saturday. Hope they will give us another chance by coming in again, as we have added a large selling force. Now we want to thank the public in general for responding so largely to our SMOKE SALE—due to the extra big bargains we are offering at this time of the season—a chance of a lifetime to get nice clean merchandise as almost 50c on the dollar. Bear in mind that our guarantee goes with all merchandise sold—money refunded if desired.

Follow the Crowd. Get a Share of the Bargains

Christmas Goods at Cut Prices

MEN'S AND YOUNG MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS

$6.50 and $7.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....$3.95
$7.50 and $8.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....$4.95
$8.50 and $9.00 Suits and Overcoats, and odds and ends of $10.00 lots—we've put them all in one lot. Smoke sale price..$5.95
$10.00 and $12.50 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price...$6.95
$12.50 and $15.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price....$7.95
$15.00 and $16.50 Suits and Overcoats, and quite a few odds and ends and small lots of $18.00 lines, all sizes, big variety. Smoke sale price $9.95
$18.00 and $20.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price..$12.95
$22.00 and $23.50 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price..$14.95

VERY SPECIAL—25 Overcoats, dark brown, diagonal, $15.00 grade. While they last $8.95

BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS

$2.50 and $3.50 Boys' Suits. Smoke sale price.....$1.85
$4.00 and $5 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, $2.95
$5.00 and $6 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, $3.95
$7 and $7.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, $4.95
$8 and $8.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, $5.95
$9 and $10 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, $6.95

This is the best chance to dress your boys for Christmas at a small cost, with up to date merchandise.

RAINCOATS

$6.00 Raincoats. Smoke sale price.....$3.95
$7.50 Raincoats. Smoke sale price.....$4.95
$12.50 Raincoats. Smoke sale price.....$7.95
$15.00 Raincoats. Smoke sale price.....$9.95

If you are in need of a Raincoat now is your chance.

ANOTHER EXTRA SPECIAL—35 Blue Chinchilla Overcoats, shawl collar, half belt, $15.00 quality. Biggest hit of the season. Smoke sale price.....$7.95

CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS

Children's $2.50 and $3.00 Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....$1.95
Children's $4.00 and $4.50 Overcoats. Smoke sale price....$2.95
Children's $5.00 and $6.00 Overcoats. Smoke sale price....$3.95
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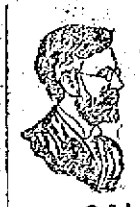
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DEATHS

RILEY—Mrs. Rose Riley, widow of the late John Riley, died yesterday at her home, 160 Cross street. She was a devout member of St. Patrick's parish. She leaves three sons, Thomas and John of Lowell and Edward of Gardner, Mass., and three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Bean and Mrs. Joseph Costello of Boston and Rose G. Riley of Lowell.

FITZPATRICK—Thomas Fitzpatrick died yesterday at 81 Newhall street. He leaves one son, Richard, and one daughter, Marion.

FUNERALS

ROCKWELL—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary B. Rockwell were held at her home, 28 C street, yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. H. W. McLean, pastor of the Highland M. E. church. The bearers were Messrs. J. H. Colburn, W. N. Mills, Charles Bicknell and F. E. Miller. Burial was in the family lot in Westford, where the burial service was read by Rev. Mr. Wallace. The flowers were many and beautiful. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

BUTLER—The funeral of Mrs. Claribel Butler, widow of James E. Butler, took place from the rooms of Undertakers J. B. Currier Co., 58 Prescott street, yesterday afternoon. The flowers were many and beautiful. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond Clapp, pastor of the First Trinitarian church, and the bearers were Messrs. Charles H. Doake, Anderson J. Ives, F. S. Butler and Herbert A. Simmons. Rev. Mr. Clapp read the committal services at the grave, and burial was in the family lot in the Pelham, N. H., cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers J. B. Currier Co.

McKENZIE—The funeral services of Mrs. Rebecca McKenzie were held yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur E. Rabeour, 784 Bridge street, Rev. F. J. Macdonald officiating. Many beautiful flowers were received from the many friends of Mrs. McKenzie. Burial took place today at Baring, Me. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

SHARP—The funeral of Catherine Sharp took place yesterday afternoon from the rooms of Undertaker Peter H. Savage, and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The bearers were Daniel McCarthy, James Flannery, John Barden, William Gilligan and Frederick J. Lynch. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Kerrigan read the committal prayers. Undertaker Peter H. Savage had charge of the funeral arrangements.

SENATE CONFIRMS WILLIAMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—In spite of the opposition of William F. McCoombs, chairman of the democratic national committee, George Fred Williams of Dedham, Mass., was confirmed by the senate last night as minister to Greece.

Mayor Brand Whitlock of Toledo, O., was confirmed as minister to Belgium. There was some opposition to Mr. Whitlock by Ohio democrats on the ground that his democracy was uncertain.

GRAFT CHARGES

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Thomas F. Kerrigan, acting as counsel for the David E. Kennedy corporation, has called on the Boston finance commission to investigate the work done in connection with the erection of the Charlestown public library, to see that the city of Boston will not be obliged to pay for material it did not get under its contract, and to further see to it that the city gets full measure of damages for the breach of contract he alleges to have been made in connection with this work.

Y. M. C. I. vs. SOUTH ENDS

Tonight in the Y. M. C. I. hall what promises to be a red hot game will be played when the South Ends, a fast aggregation representing the club of that name meet the strong Y. M. C. I. team. Both teams have been putting in some hard practice for tonight's battle and will be in good form. The teams will be picked from the following men for the South Ends: Dowd, Lyons, Gargan, Grady, McMahon, Boland, and McCarthy, for the Y. M. C. I. King, Harrington, McMahon, Haggerty, Clark, Farrell, Marren, Brennan and Cawley.

Between the periods the second teams will play and the first game will be called at 8 p. m.

STEAMER TO ARRIVE THURSDAY

SABLE ISLAND, Dec. 23.—Steamer Athinai, Piraeus for New York, 700 miles, east of Sandy Hook at 6.15 a.m. Dock 8.30 a. m. Thursday.

SEE DELAWAN COMET

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 23.—Two observations received of the Delawan comet at the Harvard observatory, one from Cordoba, Argentina, and the other from the naval observatory at Washington indicate that the celestial visitor is increasing in brilliancy and can now be seen in a small telescope. It has also a northerly movement of six minutes and 15 seconds a day.

If the comet continues to increase in brightness it may prove an interesting spectacle in the southwestern heavens this winter.

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WILLING SLAVE TALKS

Woman, Who for Three Years Lived in Secret Room of Lawyer, Says Love Was Responsible

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—With the release from the Sullivan county jail probably today of Miss Adelaide M. Brance, the woman who for three years endured voluntary confinement for the sake of being the secret companion of Melvin Couch, the mystery of her identity may never be solved. She told her jailer last night that her only wish was to be permitted to leave Monticello quietly to lessen the burden of anxiety for Mrs. Couch and her daughter.

Bit by bit Sheriff Frank Kinne and George L. Cook, county prosecutors, brought out the story of Miss Brance's life with Couch, whose death was announced in so dramatic a manner Sunday at the home of Dr. J. F. Curette, brother-in-law of the dead attorney.

It was due to the discovery of the presence of the woman by the widow when she was led to explore a room in his office her husband had always forbidden her to enter that the story became known and the manner of the life for three years of voluntary prisoner revealed.

Miss Brance told the prosecutor that many years ago she lived at Goshen, N. Y., but facts concerning her early life she withheld. After much questioning she told of her life in the little room opening off Couch's offices, of how she never went out except at night and then only when she was sure no one would see her, and how she lived on provisions brought to her by the lawyer and through it all was happy because she loved and was loved.

She said she was forty years old and had been a book agent, but stopped there except to add that it was while trying to interest Couch in a book 15 years ago that their friendship began. They met at frequent intervals after that time, she said, until about three years ago when they concluded that secret meetings that lasted a day at first could be prolonged to a week, then weeks, and finally led to her taking up living quarters in the lawyer's office.

When confronted by the widow of the man with whom she had lived in secret for so long, Miss Brance begged for forgiveness, crying piteously "I loved him; I loved him."

Although her hair is streaked with silver and her face pallid from her enforced confinement, Miss Brance's voice is well modulated and the quality of tone bespeaks education and culture.

At the county jail, Miss Brance has denied herself to all callers, saying that she desired only to be permitted to leave the scene of her love and to be forgotten.

An autopsy performed upon the body of Couch revealed that his death had been due to heart disease. The coroner's verdict was accidental death. Following the autopsy the body was taken to his late home at the request of the widow. Mrs. Couch refuses to discuss the case.

WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Final arrangements for the annual meeting of the Women's Metropolitan Golf association in this city Jan. 29 have been made. The championship tournament probably will go to the Plainfield Country club.

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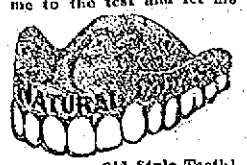


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THREE PETITIONS BEFORE GOVERNOR AND COUNCIL—DAVIE, BOY BROKER, AMONG THEM

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Three petitions for Christmas pardons will come before the governor and council tomorrow. The most famous is that of Robert E. Davie, the "boy broker," whose case was pleaded before the council last week. The matter was postponed at the request of Lieutenant-Governor Walsh, who desired to secure the opinion of the board of paroles and pardons.

Davie has served half of a five-year sentence on the charge of misappropriation of money. His mother, who appeared before the council last week, will make another plea.

The second petition is that of George E. Hunt of Worcester, who is under conviction for attempt at bribery. He has not served any of his sentence of six months, but has paid $100 fine.

The third case is that of Charles Neal, a teamster, who has been at Deer Island since Aug. 13, under sentence of one year for larceny.

WOMEN SMUGGLE PET DOG

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Miss Grace Lloyd of California, who arrived by the Hamburg-American liner Amerika, brought a Pekinese dog about eight inches long, with a much longer pedigree, that played hide and seek in the muffs and satchels of women passengers nearly all the way across.

The rule of the ship is that dogs must be turned over to the butcher, not for conversion but for the general comfort of the passengers. This rule is not always applied to toy dogs. Miss Lloyd heard it would affect her Fo-fum so she prepared to protect it.

Capt. Schuelke sent an officer to get Fo-fum. She told the officer she did not have him. She had had a conference with other voyagers and all agreed to harbor Fo-fum in muffs and satchels until the terrible peril of the butcher had passed. When the officer left he suspected the plot and looked up other passengers. But Fo-fum was kept moving from satchel to muff and muff to satchel and got here unobserved by skipper or officer.

BLINDED BY HORSE KICK

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—George A. Cowdry of Wakefield park, Wakefield, known throughout the state as a horseman and a trainer, and ex-president of the Quannapowitt Driving Club, was temporarily blinded yesterday afternoon while treating his favorite horse, Belle Park.

Mr. Cowdry approached his sick horse in the stable to apply an acid to his hoof. Irritated by the biting fluid the horse kicked the bottle and knocked it from Mr. Cowdry's hand.

The liquid spurted into Mr. Cowdry's eyes. He was taken to his home and a physician summoned. He will be temporarily blind and will permanently lose the sight of his left eye, it is feared.

TELEPHONIC TESTIMONY

VICKSBURG, Miss., Dec. 23.—Testimony purporting to have been obtained by means of a telephonic device was introduced yesterday at the trial of State Senator G. A. Hobbs, charged with soliciting and accepting a bribe in connection with a bill providing for the creation of a new county in Mississippi. This testimony tended to corroborate that given by Stephen Castleman, who after cross-examination yesterday, was excused. He swore that he had given Hobbs $200 as a bribe.

1000 GIRLS STRIKE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Nearly a thousand employes of the William H. Taubel hosiery mills in Kensington, most of them girls, went on strike yesterday. Notices announcing a two per cent reduction in wages after January 1 were said to have caused the walkout.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

One of the most interesting dramas that has been seen in this city for some time, "The Prisoner of Zenda," was presented at the Merrimack Square theatre last night and will be continued twice daily during the remainder of the week. The play is sure to please all who see it as it is full of thrilling incidents and has just enough comedy interjected to appeal to the ordinary theatregoer.

Nearly every member of the company, including one or two new faces, is seen during the presentation and all handle their parts exceedingly well. Walter Scott Weeks as "Prince Rudolph" has a part which suits him perfectly. He first appears as king and later as an Englishman and does some very clever character acting which is appreciated by the audience. John Charles, a cousin of the king, is seen to advantage as the "Black Elphberg," and he again proves his ability in characterizing a villain. Excellent acting is done by Edouard D'Oize and Thomas Carroll, followers of the villain; Frank DeCamp, an old soldier; Stewart Wilson, Howard Sidney and the other male characters, while Miss Grace Young as "Princess Flavia" again proves her strength as an actress in the above part. Miss Edith Winchester, a new member of the company, deserves especial praise for her interpretation of two characters, "Amelia," the countess of Rassendyle, and "Antoinette De Mauban." Miss Winchester's pleasing ways are sure to prove popular with Lowell theatregoers and her acting this week is very good.

The play opens in the forest of Zenda and centres around Rudolph V., who is planning to marry the beautiful Princess Flavia. The king's cousin, the Duke of Steslau, attempts to do away with the king so that he might mount the throne but when the time comes it is learned that he has been drugged by some scoundrels and is not in condition to carry out his plans. However, a young Englishman, who resembles in appearance the real king, is called upon to take part in the ceremonies and as he is a man who likes adventure and experience he assents to their plans and after numerous interesting and exciting incidents and some very clever acting, everything is straightened out and all are happy again.

The staging of the play, under the direction of Howard Sidney is equal to the other qualities of the performance and particularly pleasing are the scenes of the castles of Tarenheil and Zenda, in the third and fourth acts.

The audience at last night's performance was large and showed its appreciation by frequent applause. The photo-plays are good, a number of comical ones being in this week's list while the Mutual Weekly is fully as instructive and interesting as usual.

OPERA HOUSE

The barn dance scene in "The Capture of David Dunne" at the Opera House today is a whole show in itself. Children at the matinee yesterday were hilarious over it, and the grown-ups were carried back to their childhood days as the avalanches of their applause testified. The lapse into laughmaking does not at all interfere with the serious story of this feature photoplay, which is one with many heart throbs over the career of the sweet country girl through many trials to the realization of her heart's desire to happiness. Another feature of special mention is the superb Kalem western production, "In Peril of His Life," showing how retribution overtakes a man who plots the downfall of his rival. Taken amid natural surroundings and in locations in harmony with the story, this Kalem production is as interesting as any play produced upon the boards.

"STOP, THIEF"

"Stop, Thief" is the name of a new farce Cohan and Harris are sending to this city. It will be presented at the Lowell Opera House next Tuesday evening, Dec. 30. Carlyle Moore, the author, has chosen kleptomania for his subject matter. In the play a prospective benedict and his father-in-law to be are afflicted with a mania for stealing, though neither is aware of the others communicated influence. The bride-to-be has received a number of valuable gifts, and the inclination to steal, coming over him, the groom engages a detective to curb the morbid impulse.

When the play opens a simon-pure, dyed-in-the-wool thief, smuggled into the house by a new maid, is mistaken for the detective and introduced to the family as such. In these unusual surroundings the astonished cracksman proceeds to exercise his nefarious call-

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5.43	6.50	8.00	8.45
6.25	7.26	8.00	8.55
6.47	7.36	7.24	8.51
b8.40	7.53	2.50	5.33
6.57	8.06	25.21	9.25
7.21	8.03	9.00	9.39
7.55	8.37	9.33	10.05
x7.23	8.49	11.05	11.45
8.56	9.37	12.30	1.02
n9.12	10.24	1.00	1.42
9.46	10.30	2.00	3.00
10.09	11.10	3.00	3.39
10.55	11.40	b3.41	5.02
11.33	12.15	4.00	4.35
12.15	1.05	c6.14	6.52
1.45	2.23	5.00	5.32
2.34	3.27	b5.21	6.25
3.59	4.40	5.37	6.53
4.30	5.27	b5.51	7.16
5.31	6.28	6.14	7.23
b6.12	7.17	8.00	8.38
6.43	7.55	8.30	9.05
7.43	8.28	10.20	11.55
9.55	10.40	11.21	12.17
12.15	1.05	12.05	1.15

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.15	7.56	x6.40	8.05
8.05	9.07	9.14	10.09
9.35	10.51	10.50	11.51
10.55	12.07	11.50	12.55
12.02	1.18	2.14	3.30
z1.07	2.33	3.30	4.40
3.40	4.16	5.11	6.11
5.15	6.28	6.43	7.55
7.35	8.37	7.00	8.15
9.55	11.18	9.35	10.54

Sunday Trains

Portland Division

8.20	9.20	8.00	9.18
12.10	1.16	12.00	1.00
2.00	3.06	x3.30	4.46
5.45	7.00	5.30	6.36
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.48

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	7.52	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.03	9.30	10.05
8.08	9.04	11.05	11.43
8.45	9.45	1.00	1.52
1.16	2.35	5.30	6.24
10.20	11.17	6.00	6.38
2.42	3.23	6.30	6.58
5.10	6.09	9.20	10.25
6.49	7.50	10.14	10.56
7.43	8.25	10.29	11.55
3.56	10.46	12.05	1.15
12.15	1.05		

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"Quaint Bits of Lowell History," by Sara Swan Griffin, at Prince's.

Success poem, "Youth's Lessons of Life," in booklet at Prince's and Kittredge's. Price 25 cents.

Tomorrow evening a Christmas tree will be held in the vestry of the Congregational church of North Chelmsford for the benefit of the Sunday school children. A musical program will be given under the direction of Supt. Herbert T. Hadley and the teachers.

A meeting of the general committee of St. Patrick's Academy Alumni was held Sunday and considerable business was transacted. President M. P. Mahoney occupied the chair and the various committees in charge of the arrangements of the coming annual reunion and banquet of the alumni reported progress. A letter of regret was received from Cardinal O'Connell through his secretary, in which His Eminence stated that his many official appointments compel him to forego the pleasure of attending the coming banquet. The committee will meet again next Sunday at 10.30 a. m.

The members of Merrimack lodge, I. O. B. A., at their last meeting held the election of officers for the ensuing six months with the following result: President, A. S. Goldman; vice president, B. Siegel; treasurer, Louis Abrams; secretary, Nathan Friedman; trustees, Frank Goldman, Esq., Solomon Baker and Max Carp; outside guard, Samuel Hant; medical examiner and family physician, Dr. George E. Caisse. The following committee was appointed to take full charge of the initiation of new members: A. S. Goldman, Frank Goldman, Dr. Maurice Fishman, Max Carp, George Bresib, B. Goldberg, J. Stelnberg, George Greenberg, A. Stein, A. Gustat, S. Baker. The lodge recently purchased a tract of land near the Chelmsford line for a cemetery, and it is believed the place will be ready for dedication in the spring.

PROMINENT MINISTER DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Rev. John Thomas McFarland, D. D., former president of Iowa Wesleyan university and editor of Sunday school publications of the Methodist Episcopal church since 1904, died yesterday at his home in Maplewood, N. J. Dr. McFarland was born at Mount Vernon, Ind., in 1851 and was educated at Iowa Wesleyan university, Simpson college, Iowa, and Boston university school of theology.

TINKER FULL FLEDGED DODGER

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Joseph B. Tinker, former manager of the Cincinnati club officially became a member of the Brooklyn National league club yesterday when his release was formally promulgated by Secretary Heydler of the National league. Secretary Heydler received word from President Herrmann of the Cincinnati club that Tinker had been sold to Brooklyn, and Tinker's name was accordingly placed on the reserve list of the Brooklyn club.

TO SAVE AND ECONOMIZE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Difficulties experienced by postal officials in reaching the people to "save and economize" are set forth by Third Assistant Postmaster General Dockery in his annual report made public last night.

To minimize this problem, Mr. Dockery recommends the inauguration of a campaign of education by which the people may be brought into closer touch with the postal savings service.

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NORRIS FOR COMPTROLLER

PRES. WILSON SAID TO FAVOR RETIRED BANKER FOR CURRENCY POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson is inclined to nominate as comptroller of the currency his friend George W. Norris, a retired banker, now director of docks, wharves and ferries in Philadelphia. There is a vigorous fight over this nomination, however, and uncertainty, it is said, over the outcome.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo is strongly for John Skelton Williams, now assistant secretary of the treasury. There is powerful opposition to Mr. Williams, whose course in the treasury department has brought down considerable criticism upon him, and this would undoubtedly be reflected in the senate sufficiently to delay confirmation.

Representative Mitchell Palmer of Pennsylvania was at the White House offices yesterday to urge the nomination of Mr. Norris, whom he indorsed. He came away uncertain what the president would do. "I hope Mr. Norris will be named," Mr. Palmer said last night, 'but I have no reason for saying he will be."

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DISPATCHED FROM CHICAGO YESTERDAY—FORCE WORKED ALL NIGHT

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The height of this year's Christmas business was reached at the Chicago postoffice yesterday when more than half a million parcel post packages were mailed. So great was the rush that the entire postoffice force, including Postmaster Campbell, worked all night. More than 200,000 postcards were dispatched during the day.

BACK FROM ARCTIC REGION

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—A journey home for Christmas, begun several months ago over Arctic ice, ended last night when members of the Polar Bear expedition arrived here. The party included Louis Lane, captain of the schooner, Eben S. Draper, Jr., Dunbar Lockwood and Will T. Hudson, the photographer. The Polar Bear was firmly gripped in the ice when they left her and by forced marches made their way over Alaskan trails. The party was met at Chicago by former Gov. Eben S. Draper, who told his son of the death of his mother last September.

MAN AND NIECE KILLED

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Dillard Hunter, a farmer, and his niece, Miss Nora Hunter, were instantly killed near here yesterday when a buggy in which they were driving was struck by a Louisville & Nashville passenger train. The accident occurred at a sharp curve.

BALL CLUB SOLD FOR $150,000

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—The Indianapolis American Association baseball club was sold by Sol. Meyer, owner, to J. C. McGill of Denver and William Smith of New York city late yesterday for $150,000. The purchase price was paid to Sol Kiser, Mr. Meyer's representative at a meeting in Chicago.

THE GRAND COURT

Has Opened Suit—The Papers Served in Case at Nashua

NASHUA, Dec. 23.—Papers were served yesterday on all the officers of the former Court Marquette and Court Greenville, F. of A., the organizations expelled from the order recently after voting to secede. The papers will be served in a bill in equity and in actions of law.

The action is taken by the grand court of New Hampshire through Doyle and Lucier as counsel. The bill in equity calls for the old officers to produce all books, papers and funds which were the property of the courts. The Nashua court had about $3000 when it seceded and this was divided among the members. The Greenville court had about $2000 which was also divided. The grand lodge claims the money belongs to the organization and that it was divided illegally under the laws of the organization.

There were 454 members in the Nashua court and 134 in Greenville. The cases are attracting wide attention in secret orders throughout the state. The courts claimed that they seceded from the order because of the high expense of running the grand court and that they went strictly by law in disbanding and dividing the money. The cases will come before the January term of the superior court.

$50,000 LOSS

Block and Stable Destroyed and Church Damaged by Fire

SANDWICH, Dec. 23.—Boyden's block at the corner of Main and Franklin streets and the livery stable of Jerome Holway were destroyed today by a fire which also caused considerable damage to the Unitarian church and the residences of Arthur Green, Captain Nichols and Ambrose E. Pratt. The loss is estimated at $50,000.

GREET TOURING BALL PLAYERS

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—That the National will assist the American league in giving welcome to the world touring Chicago White Sox and New York Giants on their return to New York next March was made known in a letter received here today by President Johnson of the American league from President Tener of the National body. President Johnson recently announced that he would accompany a party of White Sox supporters to New York to greet the homecoming tourists. Governor Tener requested that plans for the celebration be made jointly with the national league and it was announced that his request will be granted. The Chicagoans will arrive in New York March 6, the date the players expect to land.

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Men's Corduroy Vests (Blanket
Men's Corduroy Vests (Sheepskin Lined)
Lined)
Men's Pants
Men's Hose
Men's Arm Bands
Men's Garters
Men's Underwear
Men's Union Suits
Men's Hats and Caps
Men's Umbrellas

Useful Gifts for Boys

Boys' Sweaters
Boys' Neglige Shirts
Boys' Flannel Blouses
Boys' Madras Blouses
Boys' Wash Suits
Boys' Play Suits
Boys' Indian Suits
Boys' Russian Suits
Boys' Norfolk Suits
Boys' Russian Overcoats
Boys' Auto Overcoats
Boys' Pants
Boys' Rain Coats
Boys' Rubber Coats
Boys' Hockey Caps
Boys' Golf Caps
Boys' Underwear
Boys' Union Suits
Boys' Hose
Boys' Gloves

Useful Gifts for Women

Ladies' Flannelette Gowns
Ladies' Nainsook Gowns
Ladies' Combinations
Ladies' Corset Covers
Ladies' Cotton Drawers
Ladies' Shirt Waists
Ladies' White Skirts
Ladies' Silk Petticoats
Ladies' Sateen Petticoats, and Colored
Ladies' Ripplette Petticoats
Ladies' House Dresses
Ladies' Wrappers
Ladies' Skirts
Ladies' Tea Aprons
Ladies' Large Aprons
Ladies' Allover Aprons
Ladies' Sweaters
Ladies' Long and Short Kimonos
Ladies' Bath Robes
Ladies' Rain Coats
Ladies' Umbrellas
Ladies' Hose, Silk, Cotton and Wool
Ladies' Neckwear
Ladies' Handkerchiefs

Useful Gifts for the Little Tots

Children's Corduroy Coats, Red, Blue, Green
Children's Galatea Rompers
Children's Flannelette Rompers
Children's Gingham Rompers
Children's Dresses
Children's Sweaters
Children's Bath Robes
Children's Flannelete Gowns
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Children's Hose
Children's Gloves and Mittens
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Mercerized Table Covers
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Wool Nap Blankets
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SQUASH, Lb.	4c

ORANGES, doz.	12 1-2c, 15c
BANANAS, doz.	10c
GRAPEFRUIT	4c
APPLES, fancy, pk.	30c
DATES	10c lb., 3 lbs. for 25c
FIGS, extra Turkey, lb.	11c, 17c
MIXED NUTS, lb.	14c

ORANGE PEEL, lb.	15c
LEMON PEEL, lb.	15c
CITRON, lb.	15c
MINCE MEAT, pkg.	6c
PLUM PUDDING, pkg.	9c
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FANCY RIBBON CANDY, in boxes, 2 lbs., for	23c

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MOSES C. MITCHELL OF BILLERICA DEAD

Founder of the Mitchell's Boys' School Passed Away—Established School 35 Years Ago.

At his home in Billerica early this morning Moses C. Mitchell, the founder of the Mitchell's Boys' school passed away after a lingering illness, at the age of 77 years. Deceased was born at Temple, Me. and came to Billerica 35 years ago, having previously established a school at Marthas Vineyard. He leaves a widow, Mary H., one son, Alexander, who succeeded him as director of the school some years ago; two brothers, J. A. Mitchell of Carthage, Minn., Henry of Temple, Me., and one sister, Mrs. M. A. Fenderson of Temple, Me. He was a member of Kilwinning lodge, F. and A. M. The Mitchell's boys' school is known throughout the country and many of the students come from distant states. The old school was burned some twenty years ago after which the present structure was erected.

TO SIGN CURRENCY BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The administration currency bill entered the last stage of its passage when the senate met at ten o'clock today to take up the conference report which already had been delayed 24 hours by difficulties in the house.

Backed by the overwhelming democratic majority of the house yesterday when the bill was passed by a vote of 293 to 60 the bill came to the senate for what leaders confidently expected was the last time, with the agreement on all disputed points approved by the lower body. It remained for the senate to act upon the compromises which had been effected between the managers of the two houses.

The democratic majority in the senate seemed to be working smoothly and the leaders expected to see the bill finally engrossed and on its way to the White House for President Wilson's signature before night. All the changes made by the conference managers were agreeable to the president and it was understood in official circles that he would accompany his signature with some sort of a statement to the country.

CONGRESS WILL RECESS UNTIL JAN. 12, AFTER FINISHING WITH CURRENCY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—When the senate finishes with the currency bill, congress will recess until January 12. The Christmas holiday vacation will be the first the tired legislators have had since April 7, when President Wilson called them together in extra session to tackle the tariff and currency problems. The house before adjourning last night agreed to the joint resolution for such a recess and the senate leaders were prepared to adopt it today.

PRES. WILSON WILL SIGN BILL AT 6 O'CLOCK, THE OFFICIALS SAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Six o'clock tonight was the hour set by White House officials for President Wilson to sign the currency bill. Five hours later the president plans to leave for Pass Christian, Miss., for a three weeks' vacation. Senator Owen and Representative Glass, co-authors of the bill, members of the congressional banking committees and leaders in congress, were invited to attend the ceremony. The president will sign the bill with two gold pens and present one to Senator Owen and the other to Representative Glass.

The president had a cabinet session today and exchanged Christmas greetings with his official family.

CLEMENTS REAPPOINTED

PRES. WILSON AGAIN NAMES HIM A MEMBER OF INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Judson C. Clements of Georgia was reappointed by President Wilson a member of the interstate commerce commission and his nomination was hurried to the senate.

Brownies, Asso., Xmas eve.

DR. G. J. CONSTANTINEAU

Dr. G. J. Constantineau, the well known dental surgeon, has become established in his new quarters at 253 Central street, at the corner of Middlesex street, his offices being located up one flight. Here the prominent dentist will be pleased to greet all his friends and former patients as well as new ones. The central location of his office is highly pleasing to the doctor and convenient to those who seek his services. His equipment is of the latest construction and made to give the very finest dental work in a painless and highly satisfactory manner. The telephone number is 1314.

$250,000 FOR STEAMBOATS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—An appropriation of $250,000 for the equipment of three light draft river steamboats, together with additional motor boats to patrol the Mississippi and Ohio rivers and their tributaries in flood time to save life and property would be provided by a bill introduced today by Rep. Goodwin of Arkansas.

Good time, Asso., Xmas eve.

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LIVELY HEARING ON THE HOSPITAL SITE

Before Municipal Council — Lawyer Howard Against and F. E. Dunbar for the Pillsbury Site

There was a lively hearing on the proposed purchase of the Pillsbury site for a contagious hospital, before the municipal council at its meeting today.

The session opened about 11 o'clock, and the hearing was opened without delay. His Honor, the mayor, reading the statute under which the city is obliged to build a hospital. He then called upon the remonstrants.

Lawyer Albert S. Howard appeared for himself and other residents of Andover street and made an elaborate argument against the site as unsuitable, damp and exposed to fogs.

Frank E. Dunbar appeared in favor and answered many of the arguments offered by the remonstrants. Both speakers were plied with questions and altogether the hearing was one of the most interesting held at city hall this year.

Mayor O'Donnell called to order at 11.05. Alderman Donnelly was absent because of serious illness in his family.

Hearing on Hospital Site

The mayor waived the usual business of the day and took up the hearing on the contagious disease hospital. The mayor first read the act providing for the erection and maintenance of such a hospital—an act making it mandatory upon cities and towns to build and maintain them. He also called attention to the fact that the city council had received several notices from the state authorities requesting that the act be conformed to and he spoke of the article in a morning paper to the effect that the attorney-general was about to hale the city of Lowell into court.

Lawyer Howard's Argument

The mayor ruled that the remonstrants first be heard and that they tell just why they are opposed. Albert S. Howard appeared for the remonstrants and spoke in part, as follows:

May it please Your Honor and other members of the municipal council of the city of Lowell:

I appear here this morning at the request of many of the residents of Andover street and that vicinity as their paid attorney, as well as in my own behalf as a resident of Andover street, to register their protest and mine against the purchase by the city of the Pillsbury site for an isolation hospital. And at the outset, in order that no charge of insincerity may be brought against me or those whom I represent, I desire to state that, while I expect to lay before you certain cogent and unanswerable arguments to prove that the Pillsbury site should not be purchased by the city pursuant to the resolution now before you, I do not ask you to understand or believe that either my clients or myself are entirely disinterested in the result, for we all of us believe that the passage of this resolution would result in permanent and irreparable injury to all of us personally. Notwithstanding, however, our interest in this matter, because of the fact that we are all owners of homes on or about Andover street, we nevertheless expect to present to your honorable body this morning certain facts which we believe can not be controverted, and which, in our opinion, make the Pillsbury site absolutely and entirely unfitted for the kind of isolation hospital required by chapter 613 of the Acts of 1911 and the acts in amendment thereof.

Pursuant to your request, the state board of health did in fact examine the various sites offered to the city for purchase, and after carefully examining all these sites, reported to your honorable council that, in their opinion, the most desirable site for the purpose was the site in Pawtucketville on Mt. Hope street. They also reported their second choice to be the Hope property on Chelmsford street. I am informed by members of the state board of health that before they made their report to you they examined the Pillsbury site, and that they did not regard that site as particularly suited for a tuberculosis hospital. It is to be presumed that the members of the state board of health are above all most fitted to pronounce on the desirability of undesirability of any particular site for a tuberculosis hospital; and it is to be presumed, because of the report they made to you, that of all the sites offered to the city for purchase, the Pawtucketville site is the most desirable site that could be selected for the care and cure of tuberculosis patients. And it is also to be presumed, aside from any other evidence, because of their failure to recommend the Pittsbury site, that the Pittsbury site is not as well suited for the care and cure of tuberculosis patients as the Pawtucketville site and the Hope site on Chelmsford street.

It is a well known medical fact that the best and most efficient agent in the cure of pulmonary tuberculosis is pure, dry air and sunshine, and for this reason it is common to locate tuberculosis hospitals at moderately high altitudes. It is stated in the Encyclopedia Brittanica, under the article tuberculosis: "The protection afforded by the altitude is alleged to be due to the dryness of the atmosphere, the freedom from impurities, and the increased solar radiation." Let us see whether in the Pillsbury site we have altitude, dryness of the atmosphere, freedom from atmospheric impurities, or sunshine.

In the first place, the Pillsbury site is located on the north slope of the south bank of the Merrimack river, at a point where the river is confined on both sides by more or less high banks. If you had passed along the new boulevard on the north side of the Merrimack river between Lawrence and Lowell, as I did last Sunday afternoon, as early as four o'clock, you would have noticed, as I did, a thick, damp mist or fog arising from the river; or, if you had stood, as I have on some high hill in southern New Hampshire on a summer evening and looked toward the Merrimack river valley, you would have seen, as I have, a line of fog following the thread of that river. It is a well known fact that fogs and mists arise with most frequency over rivers like the Merrimack, particularly where the river is confined between high banks as at the place where the Pillsbury house is located; and I have noticed on foggy mornings that the fog melts away on the heights of Andover street long before it disappears from the river below to the north. This estate is located in a valley and close to the river, so that it not only gets the fog, but holds it, particularly at night, so that certainly the Pillsbury site is not distinguished for the dryness of the atmosphere.

It is also to be noted that the Pillsbury house is located a short distance down the river from the mouth of the main sewer of the city of Lowell, a sewer that is constantly discharging into the Merrimack river the filth of a city of a hundred and ten thousand inhabitants, to say nothing of the filth that comes down the river from the cities of Nashua, Manchester and Concord. Is it reasonable to suppose that the mists and fogs that arise from that river at the Pillsbury place are not charged and permeated with these impurities? Certainly there is nothing about the Pillsbury estate to distinguish it for pureness of atmosphere.

It is also to be noted that the Pillsbury site is located on the northern slope of the south bank of the Merrimack river, so that it certainly cannot be distinguished for the amount of sunshine.

I am further informed that the Pillsbury place is provided neither with city sewer nor with city water, so that it would be necessary to install a sewer and a water system at considerable expense, unless you are to depend upon dry wells for drainage and wet wells for water consumption.

Assuming, however, that the Pillsbury site is a suitable site for the reception of tuberculosis patients, let us consider whether it is fit and proper that you should vote to purchase this site for the city of Lowell for the sum of twenty-one thousand dollars.

The Price Too High

In the first place, gentlemen, the price which you propose to pay for this site is utterly and entirely disproportionate to its true value. The Pillsbury estate contains approximately eleven acres, and you propose to pay twenty-one thousand dollars for that eleven acres with the building upon it, whereas that building, as I am informed by members of the state board of health, is in no wise suited for a hospital, and cannot be made suitable for a hospital. At most it could only be used as a dormitory for the doctors and nurses, or as a hospital headquarters. Ten years ago the Watson estate on Andover street, within a few hundred feet of the Pillsbury estate, and consisting of twenty acres, was sold for nine thousand dollars at public auction. This estate was located on Andover street, including the land where Mr. Boardman's house now stands, and ran back to the river, and it was in every respect, by reason of its superior location, of much greater value than the Pillsbury property and was sold at a time when real estate values in that neighborhood were much higher than they are now.

At least, gentlemen, before this property is purchased for twenty-one thousand dollars, the value should be passed upon by a committee of experts.

Cost of Suitable Hospital

Since your vote last Tuesday upon this resolution, I have been in consultation with two prominent members of the state board of health, and they inform me that, in a city of the size of Lowell a proper tuberculosis hospital should consist of one tuberculosis bed for every one thousand inhabitants, that is to say, in the city of Lowell there should be a tuberculosis hospital suited to the reception of not less than one hundred tuberculosis patients; and they further tell me that in the city of Lawrence, where they have a municipal tuberculosis hospital, there are 80 beds and there are at present 77 patients to occupy 77 of those 80 beds. They further tell me that they figure that to construct a proper tuberculosis hospital it is necessary to expend the sum of one thousand dollars for every tuberculosis bed provided for. One of them stated to me that at the lowest estimate it would cost the city of Lowell sixty thousand dollars to construct a proper municipal tuberculosis hospital, and that this sum must be expended in addition to the purchase price of the Pillsbury site, for the reason that the Pillsbury house could not be made suitable for the reception of tuberculosis patients, it being at most available, as I have already stated, as a dormitory for doctors and nurses, or as a hospital headquarters. If you purchase the Pillsbury site for twenty-one thousand dollars, it means that the city of Lowell will have to expend immediately not less than eighty-one thousand dollars to care for the tuberculosis patients alone. It means, gentlemen, that whatever you pay as part of the purchase price for the Pillsbury house is thrown away, or practically so, whereas, if vacant land belonging to the city were utilized for the building of a tuberculosis hospital, or vacant land suitable for that purpose were purchased elsewhere in the city, it would be possible, at much less expense, to construct a new building adapted particularly to the needs of a tuberculosis hospital.

If you heeded the remonstrance of Pawtucketville residents as to that site, it is only fair that you should heed the remonstrance of the residents of Andover street against the purchase of the Pillsbury site.

The residents of Andover street do not wish the contagious hospital located on the Pillsbury site. They are opposed to the purchase of the Pillsbury site for such a purpose, because they believe that it would depreciate the market value of their property, and to some extent at least endanger the health of people using the Andover street car line.

Gentlemen, it is not pleasant for the residents of Andover street to contemplate the probability that within a short time the unfortunate sufferers from tuberculosis will be riding to and fro on the street cars, rubbing elbows with their children—street cars that are always dusty and in winter ever heated.

Why buy other land when the city already owns so much vacant real estate, particularly in view of the present deplorable financial condition of the city? Why is it not feasible to build this hospital upon the land belonging to the city on Chelmsford street where it was first planned to build this hospital and where, if a referendum were taken today, I have no doubt a large majority of the people of Lowell would vote to locate it?

Mayor O'Donnell took exception to Mr. Howard's use of the term "deplorable financial condition of the city of Lowell."

The word "deplorable," he said, was an exaggeration as applied to the city's financial condition.

Alderman Barrett called upon Mr. Howard for something to back up his statement about the "deplorable financial condition," and Mr. Howard didn't have anything specific to offer.

Alderman Brown asked Mr. Howard several questions about the Pillsbury site as compared with the land of the Chelmsford Street hospital. Mr. Howard said there was not as much fog on Hale's brook as on the Merrimack river.

Injunction Proceedings

Asked by Alderman Cummings if he intended to bring an injunction in the event of the municipal council voting to purchase the Pillsbury site, Mr. Howard said:

"I think it is very possible that injunction proceedings would ensue."

Ald. Cummings asked if the referendum would be used and he said it probably would.

Asked by Ald. Barrett to name the two members of the state board of health who said they did not think the Pillsbury estate a good site for a contagious hospital Mr. Howard answered, Dr. Simpson and Mr. Mills.

It was stated then that Dr. Simpson is not a member of the state board, but an inspector for the board. Mr. Howard said he had understood that Dr. Simpson was a member of the board.

Mr. Howard had spoken about a main sewer emptying into the river above the Pillsbury estate and Mr. Barrett asked what sewer was meant.

Mr. Howard replied that he understood a main sewer emptied there. Mr. Barrett said that "main sewer" was an exaggeration.

Mr. Barrett then took Mr. Howard to task for stating that $21,000 was an exorbitant price for the Pillsbury estate. He asked him if he knew any person offering land for sale in the vicinity of the Pillsbury estate for four cents a foot. Mr. Howard said he did not.

Mr. Howard said he had a very distinct recollection of Dr. Pillsbury stating that he was asking $18,000 for his property.

Mr. Howard Questioned

Mr. Howard said he considered the worst part of it would be the fact that the inmates of the hospital would communicate with people riding in street cars on the Andover street line.

Mayor O'Donnell asked Mr. Howard if it was a fact that he paid over $6500 for property assessed for $4500 and Mr. Howard said it was a fact.

"Did you think you were being cheated?" asked the mayor.

"No, I did not," said Mr. Howard.

"Then it is not a very strong argument you offer that $21,000 is too much for the Pillsbury estate, because it is assessed for $18,100?"

Mr. Howard allowed that it was a strong argument in this case inasmuch as the building now on the prop-

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ATTENTION, SMOKE INSPECTOR RILEY!

N. Y. Company Perfects Apparatus Which Eliminates Smoke and Cinder Nuisance

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—After nearly three years of experimentation a local manufacturing company has perfected, it is claimed, an apparatus which practically eliminates the smoke and cinder nuisance. The apparatus, known as a wet cleaner, is simple in construction and operation. The smoke coming from the fires which heat huge boilers laden with cinders is driven at high speed through a sheet of water. By this process, practically all of the material which constituted a nuisance is deposited in a big water tank. The water cleaning apparatus has been attached to 71 of the boilers in the manufacturing plant here and it is estimated that the equipment reduces the amount of material discharged by the boilers by 75 per cent.

WARNING!

In previous years instances have occurred in the nature of depredations at the Lowell Cemetery at Christmas season. Trees have been cut and stolen presumably for Christmas use. There is a severe and well defined penalty for misdemeanor of this kind. All persons are warned against commitment of such acts. Be assured, all, that corporation will protect its property. The line of spruce trees on Lawrence street, opposite the cemetery are cemetery property on cemetery land.

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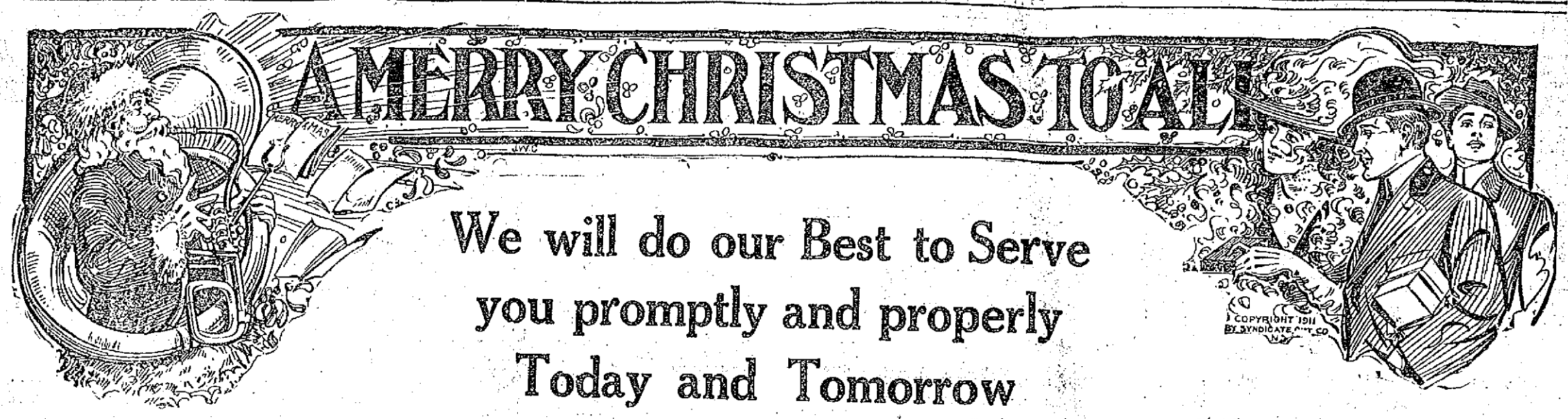
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RUN OVER BY ROAD ROLLER

Sad Death of Flagman Overcome by Long Walk From Lowell to Lynn—Not Employed Here

LYNN, Dec. 23—After an 18-hour-long walk from Lowell to Lynn as flagman in advance of a slow-moving steam-roller, an unidentified Italian known only by the number on his tag check, fell from exhaustion in Market square, Lynn, when within a few yards of his destination yesterday afternoon and was crushed to death under the machine before it could be stopped.

The steam roller had completed the work on a contract in Lowell Sunday night and set out for another in Lynn. It was driven by Charles Mills of Meredith, N. H., and the nameless Italian trudged along ahead with a warning red flag.

As the machine lumbered on through the night the Italian to judge by his gestures to Mills, grew increasingly tired and by noon yesterday showed the effects of the tantalizingly slow pace. He staggered slightly as he walked through the streets of Lynn, but the engineer had no doubt he could finish the trip.

Then, in view of scores of people in Market square, the man suddenly collapsed and a cry went up as the heavy front roller of the machine passed over his body. He was so short a distance in front of the roller that Mills could not set the brake and check the machine.

The police arrested Mills on a charge of manslaughter. Both he and the victim were employed by Michael McDonough, a contractor.

NOT EMPLOYED IN LOWELL

It is believed that the contractor was employed on the state highway as no outside contractor has done any work of the kind for the city of Lowell.

HE DEMANDS DISCIPLINE

Pres. Tener Says Only Person Who Can Preserve Order on Ball Field is Umpire

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Strict discipline on the baseball field is one of the things President John K. Tener of the National league will demand of his umpires, according to his secretary, David Leroy Reeves, with whom he has discussed the umpire problem.

The only person who can preserve order on the ball field is the umpire President Tener said and he added by way of emphasis that in matters of discretion and judgment where the umpire is not specifically guided by rule he should be supreme.

President Tener's idea of what the ideal arbiter should be was expressed as follows:

"I do not wish to be understood as meaning that an umpire should be a law unto himself; that his manner should be dictatorial, his attitude arrogant and his entire demeanor wear a self satisfied expression that would brook no argument. On the contrary I believe an umpire would be conciliatory but firm; positive but polite; quick but undemonstrative; strict but reasonable."

Regarding the disciplining of players the new president said that he was opposed to the general practice employed in meting out punishment to players for offenses committed on the field.

Gave All a Chance

He said:

"One of the cardinal principles of justice is that every man should have an opportunity to be heard, to present his side of the case. If a player is guilty of the charges submitted by the umpire and has no equitable or reasonable defence, the ends of justice and the morale of discipline can be served just as well by suspending the player three or four days after the violation has occurred and all the evidence has been made and investigated as by an immediate suspension following the report of the arbitrators.

"To my mind the club owner is the one who really suffers the most by a player's suspension. The player's absence weakens the team and in the end the clubowner is the real sufferer.

"There is no reason why such cases should not be considered in the most lenient attitude possible and by all means obtain the facts in the case from both sides before the player is punished by suspension."

Spend Christmas eve at Associate.

BIG SONG SERVICE

Washington Officials to Sing Out Old Year and Sing in New

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A big song service attended by the high officials of the government at which the old year will be sung out and the new year in, is to be held at the south end of the treasury department. The service is to be under the auspices of the local Christian Endeavor union. Officials expected to attend include Secretaries Garrison, Daniels and McAdoo; Speaker Clark, Senator Borah and Representatives Lloyd and Hobson. Services will be featured by brief megaphone addresses by members of the cabinet and the senate and house. A special choir of 1000 voices has been arranged for.

Miner's latest, Asso., Xmas eve.

Y. M. C. A. VICTORY

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executive committee has shown great interest in the association, the building and the present campaign, Mr. Russell said he was in no mood for a speech—he was too happy.

Cheers for Mr. Pollard

At this point, A. G. Pollard was seen making for the door, and although strong efforts were made to hold him, he was finally allowed to go in the realization of the already large amount of time he had taken from his business to devote to the cause, at his busy season. He was given three rousing cheers, however.

Deacon A. D. Carter

Deacon A. D. Carter said that under no circumstances would the committee have left the building last night without having the debt cleared up. Mr. Carter contributed heavily at the first of the campaign, but he declared that he came to yesterday's meeting prepared to help out again if necessary.

Mr. A. G. Cumnock expressed his pleasure at having had a part in the good work so grandly accomplished. Mr. Cumnock told of the many brickbats thrown at the men in charge, but, he declared, "every dollar spent in the building is right in the building and not a dollar missing." He urged a concerted effort by the men present to increase the membership of the association, that it should be put on a self-supporting basis. Later he made a motion that the men assembled, meet again in 12 months to observe the final discharge of all indebtedness. It was voted at once.

President Bowen Pleased

President F. A. Bowen expressed his heartfelt thanks for the work accomplished. At first, he admitted, the load to him seemed staggering and he could see nothing but years of burden ahead. But the campaign had relieved that and now he felt that the trial had been a blessing in disguise; that the association had benefited not only to the extent of the sum raised, but in moral influence in the community. He offered the thanks of the association to Messrs. Dunbar and Rogers for the legal services which had been given the committee without cost.

"Thank God and Press On" would now be the watchword, said Mr. Bowen.

Mr. Bowen here stated that one of his subscriptions, reported late, was from Arthur G. Cumnock, son of Agent Cumnock, who sent $100 from New York.

Thanks to Women's Auxiliary

Mrs. G. M. Randall, Miss Grace Ward, Mrs. W. H. Heyt and Mrs. D. E. Yarnell were extended the thanks and appreciation of the body for their work during the campaign, as was every individual member of the Women's Auxiliary.

Frank E. Dunbar said that the result of the campaign was an expression of loyalty on the part of the citizens of Lowell to a worthy cause when presented to them in the right way.

Dr. Yarnell paid tribute to the office force associated with him in the general work of the Y. M. C. A., and declared that every one was happy to feel that he had done more than salary called for.

Franklin Nourse said he was too happy to think of anything but the salutation of "Tiny Tim" in Dickens' "Christmas Carol," "God bless everybody."

M. C. Williams, leader of the campaign, expressed his thanks that he was permitted to become comrade to the men of Lowell in the fight.

Mr. Flather was called upon, but he first announced the auditing committee which had been selected to look over the pledges, as follows: John F. Sawyer, Austin K. Chadwick and Charles L. Knapp.

Mr. Flather, in closing the meeting, refused to make a speech, confining his remarks to quoting from Lincoln's second inaugural address, "With malice toward none, but charity for all," as being a phrase especially appropriate for the ending of the Y. M. C. A. campaign for $75,000.

Capt. William P. White spoke about the campaign and association work.

Y. M. C. A. Extends Thanks

As members of the campaign organization of the Lowell Young Men's Christian association, we desire to record our profound gratitude to God for his favor and blessing, and also to express our special thanks to the following:

To the people, one and all, who have made this victory possible through their generosity;

To the pastors of the churches for public endorsement and cooperation and to all who assisted in public presentation of the association's needs;

To the press of the city for generous space and direct endorsement;

To Mr. B. F. Keith, through his Lowell agent, Mr. Frank Sherwood, for placing the campaign clock on the Runels building;

To the Bay State Street Railway Co. for placing the campaign appeal on its cars and to all business houses and corporations that accepted the boxes and subscription sheets and to all others who aided in carrying forward the enterprise;

To Mayor O'Donnell, to Hon. John L. Bates and all others for helpful messages at the opening dinner and at the campaign luncheons;

To Mr. M. C. Williams, the efficient campaign director, with his tried out plans and his unfailing optimism;

To the executive committee of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and its secretaries, Edward W. Hearne and Alfred O. Booth, for unfailing help through many months of preparation, as well as in the campaign;

To the officers and members of the Women's Auxiliary to the Lowell Young Men's Christian Association, for rare and unselfish devotion in serving the dinner and luncheons for the campaign, as well as for their generous subscription;

To Cushman's orchestra, which has furnished inspiring music for the luncheons and meetings.

In addition to his faithful work in these strenuous campaign days, one member in particular, of the executive committee, devoted unselfish service as a volunteer superintendent throughout the entire period of the construction of this magnificent building. In recognition of his rare devotion to the needs of this association throughout these years, I move a vote of thanks to Mr. Franklin Nourse.

To A. G. Cumnock, whose indomitable courage and persistence accomplished so much for the success of this campaign.

Voted, that our cordial thanks and appreciation be extended to the man whose leadership and inspiration contributed so largely to the success of the campaign of 1903; who again, in the construction of the building, bore a leading part, giving unstintedly of his time and strength to the work, toiling faithfully through storm and sunshine, through good report and evil report, meeting and surmounting difficulties little realized by the community, conscious of criticism but sure of the approval at least of his own conscience and never faltering until his arduous mission was completed, and who once, more has responded to the call of those glad to follow him, giving, as always, service and resources beyond reasonable expectation in a task formidable to contemplate and all the more glorious in its successful achievement.

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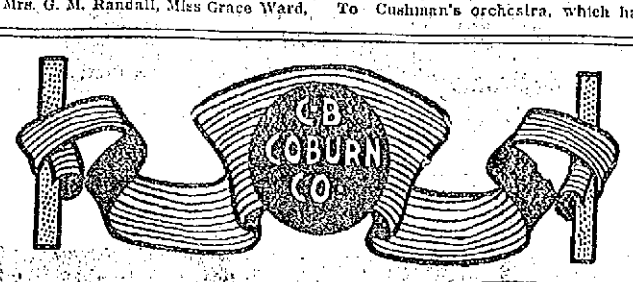
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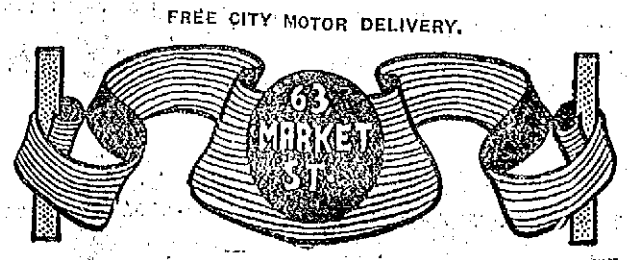
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N. Y. BROKER ARRESTED

EDWARDS ACCUSED IN CONNECTION WITH STERLING DEBENTURE CO. SUIT

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—William E. Edwards, junior member of a Broadway brokerage firm, was arrested yesterday in connection with the federal suit pending against officers of the Sterling Debenture company and the Oxford Linen Mills company, who are accused of using the mails in an alleged conspiracy to defraud investors of the Oxford company, which has mills at Brookfield, Mass. Edwards was once treasurer of the Sterling company. He furnished bail of $4000 before United States Judge Hunt and was released.

Edwards was taken into custody after an indictment had been returned, designed to include him, superseding the original true bill brought a year ago against George H. Middlebrook, president of the Sterling company; Benjamin C. Mudge, an inventor; Frank W. Winchell, president of the Oxford company, and five others. The superseding indictment alleges that the defendants, through fraudulent representations, disposed of stock of the Oxford company and subsidiaries to the amount of $1,500,000. Edwards, according to the indictment, left the Sterling company, a stock selling concern and became a member of a brokerage firm, in order to buy and boom the Oxford stock.

The trial of this case, it was announced yesterday, will be begun next Monday.

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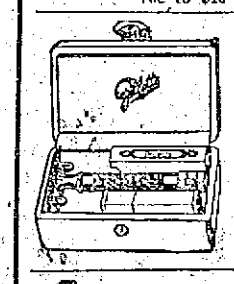
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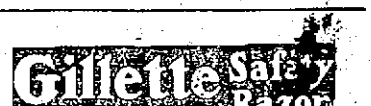
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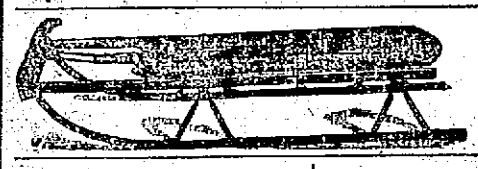
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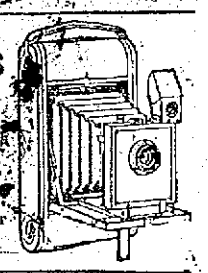
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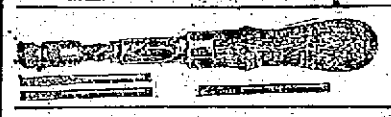
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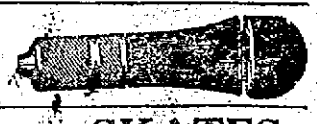
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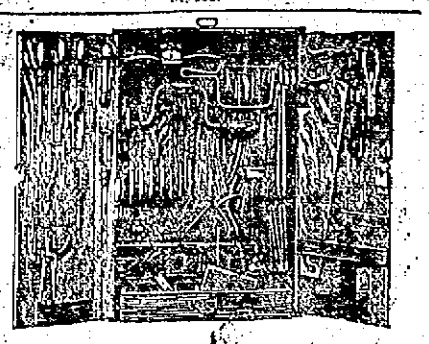
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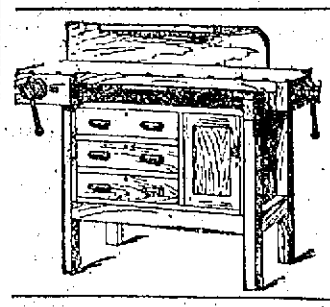
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WELLESLEY'S PRETTIEST GIRL ALSO PUTS BAN ON SLIT SKIRTS AND DOUBTS SUFFRAGE VALUE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The prettiest girl in Wellesley does not believe in slit skirts, suffragettes, the tango, the turkey trot or "chocolate munching matinee girls."

The prettiest girl, also known as Miss Maude O. Minehan, said all this yesterday at her home, 500 West One Hundred and Twenty-first street, just after she got home from a Christmas shopping tour.

"Really, I'm not the prettiest girl in Wellesley," she said, while her flashing gold-brown eyes and her tumbled chestnut hair belied her words. "There are a dozen girls more attractive than I am.

"The Wellesley girls are different from lots of others," she went on. "The girls here in New York seem to have gone crazy. We don't tango or turkey trot. What's the sense in waddling around in a turkey trot when you can enjoy a waltz?"

"Do you approve of the slit skirt?"

"I don't like it because it's ugly," she said, briskly. "It isn't a question of the moral of the thing—it's positively ugly. The new draped skirts are graceful, but those other things are horrible."

"How about woman suffrage?"

"Well, maybe the women who pay big taxes ought to vote. But it doesn't interest me very much. What right have a lot of chocolate-munching matinee girls got to vote? What do they know about it?"

SEVERAL EXAMINATIONS

TO BE HELD JANUARY 7 BY THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IN LOWELL

The following civil service examinations will be held on January 7 in this city:

Anatomist, (male), to fill vacancy in the Army Medical Museum, office of the surgeon general, salary, $1600 per annum.

Laboratory assistant in physics, (male), to fill vacancies in the bureau of mines, salary, $900 to $1200 per annum.

Seed warehouseman, (male), to fill vacancy in the bureau of plant industry, department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., salary, $1200 to $1600 per annum.

Sanitary bacteriologist, (male), to fill several vacancies in the public health service for duty in the hygienic laboratory, Washington, D. C., salary $1500 per annum.

THIRD HUSBAND KILLS SECOND

Los Angeles Man Says Slaying of Boer War Vet Was Self Defence

Victim Was Shot On the Visit to Former Wife and Children

LOS ANGELES, Calif, Dec. 23.—The killing of Daniel De Villiers by Roy L. Glover yesterday is puzzling the police. Glover shot De Villiers in the doorway of the Glover house.

De Villiers came here several days ago from San Antonio, Tex. Glover, a wealthy land agent, came here two months ago with his wife and two children. From the little the police have been able to learn from Glover and Mrs. Glover, the woman formerly was the wife of De Villiers and he was the father of the two children. Mrs. Glover secured a divorce from De Villiers and married Glover in October. She and Glover asserted that De Villiers appeared at their house and that Glover shot him in self defense.

The police assert that De Villiers was shot while trying to see Mrs. Glover and that his children entered the room in time to see their father die.

Mrs. Glover said De Villiers was a saloon keeper, who induced her to elope from the home of her father and marry him. Thereafter she asserted, according to a statement by her attorney, De Villiers lived on an allowance provided by her father, H. G. Campbell, a New York broker, who is now in Europe.

The police have learned that when Mrs. Glover was divorced from De Villiers she was awarded custody of the children, David, aged 4 and Margaret, aged 6, but no information could be obtained relative to her marriage to Glover, which she said occurred last October just before Glover came here.

WOMAN IN CASE DAUGHTER OF N. Y. BROKER AND WAS THRICE MARRIED

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Roy L. Glover, divorced wife of Daniel de Villiers, whom de Villiers was trying to see when her husband shot and killed him in Los Angeles yesterday, is the daughter of H. G. Campbell, a wealthy Wall street broker. She married de Villiers in this city in 1907 after her divorce from a man named Lewis of Paterson, N. J.

The de Villiers then went to Cotulla, Tex., where de Villiers had bought a small ranch. Mrs. de Villiers obtained a divorce from her husband in San Antonio in 1911. It is said, however, that after this divorce Mr. de Villiers assisted her former husband financially in his alleged activities against President Madero of Mexico, which led to de Villiers' arrest in El Paso.

Daniel de Villiers came of a Cape Colony family, several members of which have been knighted. During the Boer war he commanded scouts attached to a Boer column operating in West Griqualand and the Orange Free State. He came to this country in 1904 with a contingent of Afrikanders and Englishmen who appeared in the Boer war show at the St. Louis exposition. Most of his youth was spent along the Zambesi river as a hunter of big game, where at one time he was attached to the staff of Frederick Courtney Selous, the famous hunter, who was a member of Theodore Roosevelt's hunting party in Africa in 1909. In 1912 de Villiers was identified with the campaign of Gov. Oscar Colquitt of Texas.

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BURIAL OF FRANK RAND

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The remains of Frank H. Rand, a former resident of this city, and one who was favorably known all over the state, were tenderly consigned to their last resting place yesterday afternoon, in the Lowell cemetery.

Deceased had been bursar and assistant treasurer of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for several years, and his departure will be deeply felt by both the officials and students of this institution. His funeral took place yesterday afternoon from his home, 1574 Beacon street, Boston, and the cortege proceeded to this city, where funeral service was conducted in the chapel of the Lowell cemetery by Rev. C. A. Lincoln.

The attendance was very large, for many friends and relatives of deceased wished to pay him a last tribute by reciting a last prayer at the grave. Another mark of the popularity of deceased was the many floral offerings placed on the grave.

The bearers were representatives of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, with which Mr. Rand was so long connected. Burial was in the family lot, in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

RESIDENTS OF DRACUT

HELD SPECIAL MEETING AT GRANGE HALL TO REPLENISH THE TREASURY

The residents of Dracut met in special meeting last night at Grange hall in the Centre for the purpose of making transfers from the general treasury fund to other departments, where appropriations had become depleted.

The meeting was largely attended and George H. Stevens was chosen moderator, and after opening the meeting he read the warrant. Chairman Garland enumerated the several departments requiring additional appropriations and stated that the estimated amount of depletion was $5,000, and the departments mentioned as being short were charities, election and registration, lighting inspection of meats, police and tax collecting.

The charity department was given $1000; the contagious disease fund was voted $360; election and registration department, $200; street lighting department, $453.82; inspection of meats department, $309; police department, $98; tax collector's department, $500.

Chairman H. Linscott of the school committee stated that certain expected revenues to previous school appropriations had been cut off this year and consequently the present year's school appropriation had been shortened. The amount of shortage was estimated by the chairman at $1091, and this amount was voted transferred to meet the depletion.

PITCHER DICKSON RELEASED

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Walter R. Dickson of Greenville, Tex., pitcher of the Boston Nationals for the past two years, was released yesterday to the Rochester team of the International league. The Boston team has 17 pitching candidates left.

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CURRENCY BILL REMODELS BANKING

One of the Most Far-Reaching Measures Relating to Finance That Has Been Enacted in Many Years

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The new bill affecting the currency, banking and finances of the country, which has now been passed by both branches of congress and goes before President Wilson for his signature, is one of the most far-reaching measures relating to finance that has been enacted in many years. The magnitude of the subject, the diversity of interests affected, and the length of the debates in both branches of congress, has made it difficult for the ordinary observer to follow the changes and grasp the essentials of this highly technical measure. In its important bearings on money, finance, banking and the entire range of fiscal subjects, public and private, which it affects. With a view, therefore, of presenting succinctly and in non-technical language, an epitome of the salient features of the measure as finally framed, the following summary is given of the bill as a whole and of its principal details.

Generally speaking, the first steps to be taken to bring into operation the nation's new financial system will be through an organization committee of three members to be named soon by President Wilson. Banks have 60 days within which to file their applications for membership in the new system; and one year's time is allowed before the government will compel the dissolution of any national bank that refuses to join.

New Federal Currency

The new law will make little direct change in the operation of the present national banks, except to allow them to loan a certain amount of their funds upon farm mortgages. Its chief purpose is to add a new piece of machinery to the banking system that will "take up the slack" during the changing business conditions of each year; that will give the banks a place to quickly convert their assets into cash in time of need, and that will bring out new federal currency when it is needed, and retire it when money becomes "cheap."

Banks are now required to keep a certain percentage of their deposits as "reserves," part in cash in their own vaults and part of which may be redeposited in the banks of New York, Chicago, St. Louis and other designated cities. In times of sudden financial demands, when banks have loaned up to the full limit of their resources, these reserves furnish little relief, because if they are paid out to meet demands, the banks are left in a precarious condition.

The basic principle of the new law is to get these reserve funds out into circulation when necessary, without lessening the safety of any bank; and to provide a place to which local banks may rush in a crisis and get cash for the "prize commercial paper" they hold in their vaults.

Regional Reserve Banks

This is to be accomplished through a chain of regional reserve banks, or "reservoirs of reserves," in which all banks shall deposit a stated part of the money they are required to hold as reserves. Under the new system, when a financial flurry comes, the banks can take commercial paper, such as notes, drafts and bills of exchange, to these "reservoirs," and secure the use of their own reserves, or if necessary even the reserve of other banks, by depositing this security.

The new regional banks will receive about one-half of the bank reserves of the country. They, in turn, will be permitted to loan back to the banks all but 75 per cent. of these reserves, so that in case of emergency, millions of cash can be brought out into circulation quickly. The banks will have to pay for these loans, however, as individuals have to pay for a loan from any local bank; and this charge is expected to prevent the too free use of the reserves held by the regional banks.

A new form of paper currency is also provided for, to come out in case of emergency, and which is expected to go back into the hands of the government when times are normal. These "treasury notes" will be printed by the government, and issued through each regional reserve bank, and will bear the guarantee both of the regional bank and the government.

If the demand for currency in any section of the country exceeds the supply of circulating money, a Regional bank can secure this new money from the government and put it into circulation; but a gold reserve of 40 per cent. and commercial paper equal to the full value of the note, must be held as a reserve behind each note so issued. This provision is expected to be the influence that will drive the new money back into retirement when it is no longer needed.

Details of New Law

The following analysis presents the details of the new law without adhering closely to the technical division or language of the measure.

At the head of the system will stand a federal reserve board at Washington, appointed by the president, and to consist of the secretary of the treasury and six other members. Two of these shall be expert bankers, but none shall have banking affiliations or own bank stock during their service. This board will exercise general control over the entire system.

The temporary "organization committee," of the federal reserve board, will select from eight to twelve cities where regional reserve banks shall be located, and will divide the entire country geographicaly with these cities as the centers of districts. All National banks in a district will be required to subscribe for the stock of the regional reserve bank in that district, and to keep a portion of their reserves there.

Local banks will be known as "member-banks," because they will own the stock of the regional reserve bank of their district. Each member-bank will be required to take capital stock of the regional reserve bank, equal to 6 per cent. of the member bank's capital and surplus. The capital of the regional bank will increase or decrease so that it always represents 6 per cent. of the combined capital and surplus of all the banks of the district that have joined the system.

National Examinations

National banks are compelled to join, and state banks are permitted to if they bring their reserve requirements up to the standard set for national banks, and submit to national examinations.

Public ownership of the stock of the regional reserve banks is permitted only in case enough banks do not join in any district to provide a capital stock of $2,000,000. In such event the public may purchase the stock in quantities limited to $10,000 for each individual; but the voting of this stock will be placed in the hands of government's representatives on the board of directors of the regional reserve bank.

The regional reserve banks may do business only with their member-banks, not with the public, except that certain "open-market operations" such as the purchase and sale of gold, government or municipal bonds, and certain forms of bills of exchange, are permitted. These banks will make their earnings from the loans made to member banks, and from the purchase and sale of bonds and foreign and domestic bills of exchange.

Member-banks will be compelled to put up in cash only one-half of their subscription to the capital of the new banks; the rest can be called for if needed by the Regional bank. Dividends of 6 per cent. will be paid on this stock to the member-banks, and the stock will be non-taxable. After these dividends are paid, one-half of the surplus net earnings goes to create a regional surplus fund, and when this has reached 40 per cent. of the regional bank's paid-in capital, these earnings are to go into the United States treasury. The balance of the net earnings are to be divided between the payment of a United States franchise tax, and the creation of a fund to guarantee the payment of depositors in member-banks that may fail.



Secretary McADOO
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Secretary of the Treasury William G. McAdoo becomes one of the most powerful men in the financial world through the provisions of the new currency act, which makes him virtually the chairman of the federal reserve board. This board will have absolute control of the national banks of the country. It consists of seven members, all but two of whom are appointed by the president.

Two Years to Make Shifts

With the machinery thus created for a new banking system that is supplementary to the commercial banks of the country, the law provides for a gradual transfer of part of the bank reserves to these new "reservoir" banks. In order not to disturb business conditions, or to withdraw too suddenly the heavy deposits of country banks in the large cities, the law provides that two years may be consumed in shifting these balances, and that if necessary, part of the reserves transferred to the regional banks may consist of commercial paper.

The amount of reserve required from every bank under the new law, and the place where it must be kept, are as follows:

Country banks: Total reserve required, 12 per cent. of demand deposits and five per cent. of time deposits. Four-twelfths must be held in the bank's own vaults; two-twelfths in the regional reserve bank for the first six months increasing one-twelfth each six months until it reaches five-twelfths. After two years the remaining three-twelfths of the reserve, must be kept either in the country bank's vaults, or in the regional reserve bank.

Reserve City Banks

Reserve city banks: Total reserve required, 15 per cent. of demand, and five per cent. of time deposits. Six-fifteenths must be kept in the bank's own vaults; three fifteenths in the regional reserve bank for the first six months, increasing one one-fifteenths each six months until it reaches six fifteenths. After two years, the remaining three-fifteenths of the reserve must be kept either in the bank's own vaults or in the regional reserve bank.

Central reserve city banks (New York, Chicago and St. Louis:) Total reserve required, 18 per cent. of demand, and five per cent. of time deposits. Six-eighteenths must be kept in the bank's own vaults; three-eighteenths in the Regional Reserve bank for the first six months, and six-eighteenths thereafter. After six months the remaining six-eighteenths may be kept in the bank's own vaults, or in the Regional Reserve bank.

These immense funds of reserves from "member-banks," together with government moneys, will make up the deposits of the Regional Reserve banks. Each of these banks will be administered by a board of nine directors, six of whom will be elected by the banks, and three appointed by the federal reserve board.

The Regional Reserve banks may rediscount—that is, buy at a discount from its member banks—"prime commercial paper," when the member-banks desire to convert these assets into money. The exact terms of this important provision as to the character of paper upon which the Regional Reserve banks may furnish cash are as follows:

Commercial Transactions

"Upon the indorsement of any of its member banks, with a waiver of demand notice and protest by such bank, any Federal (Regional) Reserve bank may discount notes, drafts and bills of exchange arising out of actual commercial transactions; that is, notes, drafts, and bills of exchange issued or drawn for agricultural, industrial or commercial purposes, or the proceeds of which have been used, or are to be used, for such purposes the Federal Reserve board to have the right to determine or define the character of the paper thus eligible for discount, within the meaning of this act.

"Nothing in this act contained shall be construed to prohibit such notes, drafts and bills of exchange, secured by staple agricultural products, or other goods, wares or merchandise from being eligible for such discount; but such definition shall not include notes, drafts or bills covering merely investments or issued or drawn for the purpose of carrying or trading in stocks, bonds or other investment securities, except bonds and notes of the government of the United States.

"Notes, drafts and bills admitted to discount under the terms of this paragraph must have a maturity at the time of discount of not more than 90 days: Provided, that notes, drafts and bills drawn or issued for agricultural purposes or based on live stock and having a maturity not exceeding six months, may be discounted in an amount to be limited to a percentage of the capital of the Federal (Regional) Reserve bank, to be ascertained and fixed by the federal reserve board."

Discounts by Regional Banks

The Regional banks may also discount "acceptances based on the importation or exportation or domestic shipments of goods."

The new treasury notes, which are to furnish the "elastic" element in the currency system, and to add to the country's circulating money in time of need, will come into use in the following way:

The notes will be printed by the government, with a distinctive style for each Regional Reserve bank. One of the three directors named by the federal reserve board for each Regional bank will be known as the "Federal Reserve Agent" for that bank, and a supply of the notes will be placed in his custody.

Should a Regional bank desire to pay out more money than its cash resources will permit, the law provides that it may put some of its rediscounted commercial paper into the hands of the "Federal Reserve Agent," and receive in return the new treasury notes. For each note that it puts out into circulation, the Regional Reserve bank must set aside in gold 40 per cent of the value of the note, as a guarantee for its redemption. This gold, with the commercial paper held by the "Federal Reserve Agent," is the protection behind the new money, but these notes will also be guaranteed by the government, and may be redeemed in gold at the United States treasury.

Must Keep 30 Per Cent Reserve

Each Regional bank, under the act, must keep a reserve of 35 per cent of the deposits it has received, besides the 40 per cent gold reserve behind the treasury notes it issues. If the gold reserve behind the notes falls below 40 per cent, a heavy tax is imposed on the bank, which in turn adds the tax to the rate it charges member banks for rediscounts. This was designed to stop an over-expansion of currency. In times of sudden stress, the federal reserve board can suspend these reserve provisions, in order to furnish quick relief to any community.

One Regional bank cannot again pay out the notes of another, except under a heavy tax. These notes are expected to return to the Regional banks and be withdrawn from circulation when the need for their use passes.

None of the existing forms of paper currency will be disturbed by the new law. Provision is made, however, that the government two per cent bonds upon which national banks now secure the issue of their "bank notes," may be purchased by the government at par, through the Regional banks. This provision is expected to result in the gradual retirement of most of the national bank currency.

The federal reserve board will exercise final control over the entire operation of the system. It can compel one regional bank to loan to another in time of need; can authorize banks to use the treasury notes or even national bank notes as part of their legal reserves; can suspend all restrictions surrounding the reserves which Regional banks must hold; and can remove directors of Regional Reserve banks whenever it is believed necessary.

While the banks retain control of the boards of the Regional Reserve banks, their connection with the federal reserve board is only through an advisory council, made up of one representative from each federal reserve district. This council will meet in Washington, to confer with the federal reserve board "on general business conditions," and to make recommendations and suggestions concerning discount rates, note issues and reserve conditions.

An important change in national banking methods, embraced in the new law, will permit all national banks except those in New York, Chicago and St. Louis, to make direct loans on five-year farm mortgages, up to 25 per cent of their capital and surplus, or up to one-third of their time deposits. Another provision in the law permits national banks having a capital of $1,000,000 or more, to open foreign branches. Similar authority is given to the Regional Reserve banks, the purpose being to facilitate the development of American trade abroad.

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Wm. Bourne Piano.....$65	Knabe Upt.....$80	Everett Upt.....$110
H. F. Miller Upt.....$79	Ivers & Pond Upt.....$80	Vose $115
Webber Upt.....$84	Mason & Hamlin Upt.....$92	Haynes Upt.....$175
Shumann & Sons Upt....$150	Hallet & Davis Upt.....$100	Jacob Doll Upt.....$250

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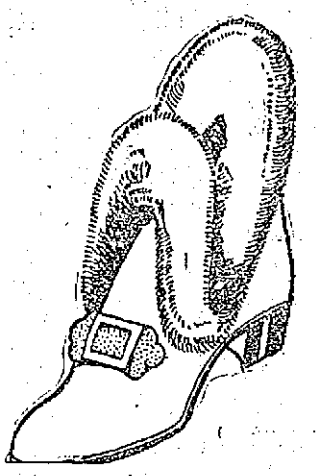
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WOMEN'S $1.00 TO $1.25 HOLIDAY SLIPPERS AT 69c—Plain and Fancy Felt Juliette, fur trimmed or ribbon, in black, tan, red, blue, green and wine.

GIRLS' $1.00 CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS AT 49c—Red Felt Juliettes, fur trimmed, all sizes up to 2.

WOMEN'S 75c WARM SLIPPERS AT 49c—Felt Slippers with ribbon trimming, and crocheted slippers in all colors.

CHILDREN'S 75c SLIPPERS AT 49c—Felt Juliettes, with fur trimming, all sizes.

MEN'S AND BOYS' $1.50 MOCCASINS AT $1.25—Tan soft elk-skin moccasins, in all sizes.

MEN'S $1.50 SLIPPERS AT 98c—Black and tan kidskin, in Opera, Everett and Romeo styles, in all sizes.

EXTRA SPECIAL—50c COMBINATION SETS AT 29c—Combination Sets, in fancy boxes, consisting of Suspenders and Garters and Arm Band and Garters, in silk and silk lisle, in all colors—new fresh stock.

$1.00 NEW NECKWEAR 59c—15 dozen of Ladies' Neckwear, consisting of jabots and stock collars, in different styles, made of the choicest laces and nets, trimmed with a little color; big value, all pure, new goods.

$1.00 NEW RUFFLE WAISTS 59c—10 dozen waists, made low neck and long sleeves, of a fine material, with a large ruffle front in all sizes; each one put up in a Xmas box.

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From Yesterday's Late Editions

FOR REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING STOCK MARKET SEE LATER EDITIONS

GORHAM STREET JOB IS FINISHED

There is no happier lot today than the residents and business people of Gorham street, and particularly the latter, for at last the famous job on repairing Gorham street and laying in a sewer and other miscellaneous jobs which have been going on in that busy thoroughfare, are completed, and for the first time this morning since last June, both tracks of the Bay State Street Railway Co. were opened for traffic.

On June 17 last a portion of the street was ripped up for the lowering of a sewer. This was a rather large enterprise and it was a long time before it was completed. However, the men had no sooner left the premises, than the water department gang came along and of course mere digging was done for the water main had to be repaired. While this was going on the street, or a portion of it was closed to vehicles and only one track of the electric car company was used, which meant a considerable decrease in the car traffic.

The business men were just about to protest against all these repairs being done at the same time, and the residents of the street were on the verge of telling the city officials that enough of that work had been done, when in comes the men of the street department, armed with picks, shovels and other tools necessary to do a good job on the surface of the street. They were set to work between Elm street and Davis square and for the third time half of the street was closed. Bad weather interfered and the result was that the men were kept on the job until Saturday.

This morning it was expected that some other department would have some digging in the street, but such was not the case, however, and the residents of Gorham street as well as the business men were handed a Christmas present in the form of a nice piece of smooth pavement. Nevertheless Gorham street is scheduled for another big enterprise for it is planned to repair that end of the road near Moore street, but this will not be done this year.

BANK IS CLOSED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—The Bank of London and Mexico closed its doors today.

Today's suspension was not due to lack of assets, but to the scarcity of currency. Silver and gold have been both long scarce in the country and recently state bank bills have been refused except in the states where they were issued.

The London and Mexico bank has been embarrassed more than have other concerns because it has been accepting deposits while the other had been refusing them.

The depositing public, made nervous by the ugly outlook of the banking situation generally, began on Wednesday last week to withdraw money.

It is claimed today on behalf of the London and Mexico bank that it could meet the demands on it from its reserve, but it is pointed out that this would be impracticable as it would imperil the standing of its bank notes.

A small crowd of depositors gathered in front of the doors of the bank today but was orderly.

IRISH NAT'L FORESTERS

HELD LARGE MEETING YESTERDAY AND ELECTED OFFICERS FOR YEAR

A largely attended meeting of Branch O'Neil Crowley, Irish National Foresters, was held in Leather Workers' hall yesterday afternoon with Chief Ranger James Cryan in the chair. There was a class of 35 new members initiated as a result of the activity in the competition for the flag offered by Grand Chief Ranger Joyce of Boston. New officers were also elected for the year, the list being as follows:

James Cryan, chief ranger; Thomas Linehan, sub chief ranger; James W. McKenna, treasurer; Thomas Nevins, financial secretary; Robert Gill, assistant secretary; Thomas Slattery, senior woodward; Hugh McQuade, junior woodward; Michael Newton, senior beadle; Thomas Horan, junior beadle; Dr. J. J. Cassidy, physician; Messrs. Patrick Sexton, Thomas Horgan and Timothy Daly, trustees.

Arrangements have been made by this branch to organize a drum corps. The instruments have been purchased and a first class drum corps to form the nucleus of a band will be selected from the members. At the meeting yesterday the quarterly reports were read and showed the branch to be in excellent standing both as to membership and finances.

CALLED PRINCIPAL "SNOOKUMS"

MORAN, Kan., Dec. 22.—For a high school girl to call the principal "Snookums" and "Daddy" and to refer to her history instructor as "Pet," is contemptuous but the school board is the court of last resort in such a case and its acts are not subject to judicial review, according to a decision rendered here today by Judge Foust in the district court dismissing a suit brought to enjoin the schoolboard from suspending Miss Vivian Varner from attendance in the Moran high school. Testimony was given to show that Miss Varner had referred to Principal Wright and to one of the teachers with the appellations Judge Foust finds contemptuous. Miss Varner was suspended and her father appealed to the court.

HUB MAYORALTY

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—A third candidate was eliminated from the mayoralty contest today when John R. Murphy notified his supporters that he had decided to withdraw. Mayor Fitzgerald has already withdrawn because of ill health and Ernest E. Smith's nomination papers lack the required number of signers.

Mr. Murphy said that he decided to quit because of changed conditions. He said he had made no trade with other candidates and that he would take no part in the contest.

MOTHER AND SON KILLED

CALAIS, Me., Dec. 22.—Mrs. John Ahearn, a widow of Baileyville, and her 12 year old son Daniel, while driving to the city today to do their Christmas shopping, were struck by a Maine Central passenger train on a crossing at Baring and killed. Mrs. Ahearn's skull was crushed and death followed immediately. The son lived a few minutes after being picked up.

FEDERAL VICTORY

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—Federal successes at Tepic and Mazatlan, both on the Pacific coast, are reported in official advices received here today. The rebels are said to have been severely punished in a fight with the federal troops eight miles from Tepic, while the federal forces which had been besieged at Mazatlan for many weeks are said to have assumed the aggressive and to be forcing the rebels back toward Culican in Sinaloa.

FOREIGN EXHIBITORS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Commissioner Ewing urged the house patents committee today to recommend passage of the Bulkeley bill to restrict guarantees to foreign exhibitors at the San Francisco exposition under the Kahn act.

FUNERALS

MEEHAN—The funeral of the late Patrick Meehan took place this morning from his late home, 223 Worthen street, and was very largely attended. Solemn high funeral mass was celebrated in St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. The celebrant was Rev. James Queenan of Concord, N. H., a nephew of the deceased, assisted by Rev. Timothy Callahan as deacon and Rev. John Kerrigan as subdeacon. The requiem mass was the plain chant, Gregorian, which is used on unusually solemn occasions, and the choir under the directoon of Organist Johnson was specially augmented for the occasion by singers from the other church choirs of the city. After the elevation, Mr. George Kerwin sang "O Merilum Passionis."

Throughout the mass Rt. Rev. Monsignor O'Brien sat in his official place within the sanctuary. Many other clergymen were present, including the following: Frs. John Flynn and T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I., of the Sacred Heart church, Fr. Joseph Curtin of St. Patrick's and Rev. Thomas Redden of Wilton, N. H.

The prayers at the grave were recited by Rev. Fr. Queenan, assisted by Rev. Frs. Redden and Callagan. Higgins Bros. had charge of the funeral.

The ushers at the house and church were the following: Dr. Charles M. Roughan, Dr. John H. Donovan, Dr. Fred P. Murphy and Dr. Frank R. Brady.

The bearers were James Cryan, Henry Keyes, Owen Coleman, Daniel Donovan, Patrick Regan and Owen Cassidy.

Among those from out of town who were present at the funeral were the following: Mr. and Mrs. James H. Meehan, Master Henry Meehan and Miss Virginia Meehan of Newport News, Va., Mr. Joseph P. Meehan of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Michael Meehan and Mr. Jas. Meehan of North Adams, Mass., Miss Margaret Coleman of Providence, R. I., Misses Mary and Kate Mulvanity of Nashua, N. H., Misses Lillian and Esther Dwyer of Holliston, Mass., Mr. Edward Cogan of Newport, R. I., Mr. Patrick Harman and wife of Lawrence. Miss Julia Murphy and Mr. Peter Murphy of Ayer, Rev. James H. Queenan of Concord, N. H., Rev. Maurice Redding of Peterboro, N. H., and Rev. Thomas Redden of Wilton, N. H.

The following beautiful floral tributes were noted: Pillow inscribed "Father" from the family; mound, "Grandpa," Baby Kirwin, Henry and Virginia Meehan. Other tributes bore the names of J. J. Mullaney and family, Michael Mullaney, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Connor, Gorman family, Riordan family, Courser family, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Monahan, Mrs. Bridget Lynch and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Regan, Margaret and Mary Connors, Miss Rose Dowd, Miss Mary Seery, Horan family, Keefe family, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Coupe, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Bailey, Frank J. Maguire, James J. Brown, Mrs. Rediker and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Young, Shanahan family, Walter Queenan, D'Amour family, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Ambrose, Col and Mrs. J. H. Carmichael, McDermott family, Miss Esther Green, Miss Mary R. Barren, McGauvran family, Mrs. Ellen Kirwin and family, Mrs. Frank Meehan and son, Miskell family, Mr. John W. Kernan, Mr. and Mrs. William Aubertine, Mr. John Ketterly, Mrs. Meehan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Murphy, Mrs. E. J. Little, Mrs. Meaney and Miss Lillian Mullaney.

Spiritual offerings were received from the following: Mrs. E. J. Kirwin, Mr. and Mrs. B. Murphy, Mrs. Winifred Higgins and family, Mrs. Mary Doherty, Mr. Michael Sullivan, Mary J. Murphy and Mr. Owen J. Coleman.

O'BRIEN—The funeral of the late John O'Brien took place this morning at 7 o'clock from his late home, 16 Court street, and was largely attended. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where at 7.30 o'clock a funeral requiem mass was sung by Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I. Among the floral tributes was a pillow inscribed "Father" from the family, and sprays from Mrs. McGuire and family and Mrs. Lorigan. The bearers were Lawrence Considine, Thomas McDonald, Hugh McCluskey, James Riley, Patrick Mahan and George Lynch. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Wood, O. M. I. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons had charge.

DEATHS

RILEY—Mrs. Rose Riley, widow of the late John Riley, died today at her home, 150 Cross street. Deceased was a well known member of St. Patrick's parish. She leaves to mourn her loss three sons, Thomas and John of Lowell and Edward of Gardner, Mass., and three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Bean and Mrs. J. Costello of Boston, and Miss Rose G. Riley of Lowell. Funeral will be Wednesday morning, time to be announced later.

FIRE ON FISHER STREET

A fire in the house located at the corner of Fisher and Lakeview avenue caused the ringing in of box 612 this afternoon just before 4 o'clock. The firemen arrived on the scene without delay and smothered the flames before they had gotten fairly started. The house was empty and very little damage was done.

EMPEROR MENELIK DEAD

ADDIS ABEBA, Abyssinia, Dec. 22.—It is officially announced here today that Emperor Menelik is dead.

SUPREME COURT RECESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The supreme court recessed today to Jan. 5, when decisions in several important cases are expected.

Stock Market Closing Prices, Dec. 22th

FOR COMPLETE REPORT OF TODAY'S CLOSING PRICES SEE LATER EDITION

NEW YORK MARKET

	High	Low	Close
Amal Copper	72	70⅞	71⅞
Am Beet Sugar	23⅝	23½	23½
Am Can	30⅞	28½	30⅛
Am Can pfd	89⅜	88½	89⅛
Am Car & Fn	44¾	44¼	44¾
Am Cot Oil	37½	37½	37⅝
Am Locomo	30	29⅝	30
Am Loco pf	98	98	98
Am Smelt & R	64	62½	64
Am Sugar Rfn	108	106⅞	108⅝
Anaconda	35	34⅝	35
Atchison	94⅜	93¾	94¾
Atch pf	98¾	98⅝	98⅝
Balt & Ohio	93	92½	93
Br Rap Tran	87⅞	87⅛	87⅛
Canadian Pa	216⅜	214¾	216⅝
Cent Leather	26¾	26½	26⅝
Cent Leather pf	93	93	93
Ches & Ohio	58⅜	58¼	58⅛
Chi & Gt W	11⅞	11¾	11⅞
Col Fuel	28¾	28	28⅝
Consol Gas	129¾	129	129¾
Del & Hud	157¾	157½	157½
Dis Secur Co	20	18⅝	19⅛
Erie	29	28⅜	28⅞
Erie 1st pf	44¾	44⅜	44¾
Erie 2d pf	35	35	35
Gen Elec	139	139	139
Gt North pf	126⅝	126	126⅜
Gt N Ore ctf	34	33	34
Illinois Cen	106¾	105¾	106¾
Int Met Com	15	14⅝	15
Int Met pf	60¼	59½	60¼
Int Paper pf	36	35½	36
Kan City So	24½	24¼	24½
Kan & Texas	20¾	20¼	20¾
Kan & T pf	53½	53⅛	53½
Lehigh Valley	153⅞	152⅜	153⅝
Louis & Nash	133½	133⅛	133½
Missouri Pa	25⅛	23¼	24½
N Y Central	93¾	92½	92⅝
Nor & West	104½	103⅞	104¼
No Am Co	68	68	68
North Pac	109	108¼	109
Ont & West	28	28	28
Pennsylvania	109⅜	108½	109⅜
People's Gas	120⅝	120	120⅝
Pressed Steel	26¼	26¼	26⅜
Pullman Co	151	150	151
Ry St Sp Co	24⅛	24⅞	24⅛
Reading	166⅜	164⅛	166⅞
Rep Iron & S	20¼	19⅜	20¼
Rep I & S pf	81½	80½	81½
Rock Is	14¼	14	14⅛
Rock Is pf	21½	21⅜	21⅝
St Paul	100½	99⅝	100⅛
So Pac	89½	87½	89½
Southern Ry	22⅞	22½	22⅝
Southern Ry pf	76¾	76¼	76⅜
Tenn Copper	30½	30	30½
Texas Pac	13½	13⅛	13½
Third Ave	41⅝	41	41⅛
Union Pac	155¼	154	155¼
Union Pac pf	83¼	83¼	83¼
U S Rub	56	55⅜	56
U S Rub pf	100⅜	100¼	100¼
U S Steel	59⅜	58⅜	59⅛
U S Steel pf	105½	105	105½
U S Steel 5s	99⅞	99⅞	99⅞
Utah Copper	49	48	48⅞
Wabash R R	3¼	3¼	3⅛
Wab R R pf	8⅜	8⅛	8⅛
Westinghouse	64½	63⅞	63
Western Union	57	56⅞	57
Wiscon Cen	43¼	43¼	43¼

BOSTON MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Prices were generally firm with moderately active trading on the local exchange following the opening today. American Telephone was the active feature of the early hours.

A DECIDED WEAKNESS

IN FEW SPOTS AT OPENING —SPECULATIVE SENTIMENT BEARISH

NEW YORK, Dec. 22—The abrupt upturn in stocks late last week led to a reaction at the opening today. The effect of realizing sales was increased by disclosure of decided weakness in a few spots. Canadian Pacific dropped back 3 1-4. Western Union fell 3 3-8 to 54 1-8, a new low point, and American Telephone receded 1 3-4. Most of the leading stocks opened fractionally lower, but the list stiffened with gains of a point or more for Lehigh Valley, Sugar and Western Maryland. Canadian Pacific and Western Union failed to rally with the rest of the list, however, and their persistent heaviness checked the advance and brought back the general list to the opening level.

Traders who went into the market for a turn on the long side last week were disposed to realize today and their offerings hold the advance in check. Unsettled conditions of the market recently, the uncertain outlook for money during the closing days of the year caused holders of long stock to take profits rather than hold on for a further advance. Witness of special stocks also imposed restraint upon the market as did foreign selling of Canadian Pacific, Steel and Amalgamated. Preparations for year-end settlements at Berlin where some money strain was looked for, were responsible for the selling from that quarter of Canadian Pacific, which sagged over four points.

Attempts to force up prices under the lead of Southern Pacific, which touched 89, were contested. Slight advances brought out large offerings especially of Union Pacific, which lost a point. Sales by London and the continent were estimated at 30,000 shares. Inability of the market to absorb European and domestic selling without wavering caused speculative sentiment to become bearish.

The market closed strong. The short interest provided a leverage for marking up prices in a substantial manner. Many low priced stocks were conspicuously strong, particularly Can. Gains of from one to two points were established in many cases.

COTTON FUTURES

	Opening	Close
December	12.15	12.03
January	11.85	11.75
March	12.12	12.02
May	12.11	11.99
July	12.10	12.01
October	11.40	

BOSTON MARKET

	High	Low	Close
RAILROADS			
Boston & Albany	151	183¼	183¼
Boston Elevated	87	85	87
Bos & Maine	43	41	43
N Y & N H	75½	70½	72½
N Y & N H rts	95c	80c	95c
MINING			
Arizona Com	4⅞	4	4⅜
Cal & Arizona	63¼	62¾	63¼
Cal & Hecla	410	405	410
Centennial	14	13½	14
China	38¾	37¾	38¾
Copper Range	54½	54	54
E Butte	11	11	11
Franklin	2¾	2¾	2¾
Granby	72	71¾	72
Indiana	4½	4½	4½
Kerr Lake	4⅜	4⅜	4⅜
La Salle	3⅝	3⅝	3⅝
Mohawk	42	41¾	42
Nevada	15	14⅞	15
North Butte	28½	27⅞	28⅝
Old Colony	4¾	4	4½
Osceola	72	72	72
Ray Con	18	17⅞	18
Santa Fe	1½	1⅜	1⅜
Shannon	6	6	6
Superior	25½	24¾	25⅛
Superior & Boston	2⅜	2⅛	2⅜
Trinity	4	4	4
Tuolumne	57c	54c	57c
Utah Cons	8½	8⅛	8⅛
Winona	1½	1⅜	1⅜
Wolverine	43½	43	43¾
TELEPHONE			
Am Tel & Tel	123⅞	121⅝	122¾
MISCELLANEOUS			
Mass Gas	90	89½	90
United Fruit	162	160½	162
United Sh M	54	52¾	53⅞
United Sh M pf	28	27¾	28
UNLISTED SECURITIES			
Alaska Gold	21⅞	21⅛	21½
Am Ag Chem Com	46	46	46
Am Woolen pf	78½	78	78¼
American zinc	18½	18½	18½
Butte & Superior	30¾	30	30⅜
Isle Royale	19¾	19¼	19½
Lake Cop	7¾	7	7
Miami Cop	21¾	21¾	21¾
Bond Creek	19	18⅝	19
Swift & Co	102¾	102¾	102¾
U S Smelting	40	39⅝	40
U S Smelting pf	48	48	48
BONDS			
Am Tel & Tel con 4s	96⅝	95⅝	96⅝

MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Mercantile paper 5¾ to 6 per cent. Sterling exchange steady; 60 days 481.15; for demand 485.30. Commercial bill, 480¾. Bar silver 57⅞. Mexican dollars 54¾. Government bonds firm; railroad bonds irregular.

Call money firm, 3¼ to 3½ per cent. Ruling rate 3½; last loan 3⅜; closing 3¼ to ⅜.

Time loans weaker; 60 days 5 to 5¼; 90 days 5; six months 4¾ to 5.

COTTON SPOT

Cotton spot closed quiet. Middling Uplands 12.50. Middling Gulf 12.75. Sales 4500 bales.

WELDING DEVICE

A trio of workmen attracted considerable attention in Central street today on account of the nature of the work they are performing. These men are equipped with what is known as the Indianapolis portable electric welder and their business is to weld frogs and switches on the electric car tracks.

The machine, which is on wheels carried 600 electric volts and is covered with signs warning the public not to go near the apparatus. Two men keep tabs on the machine and its many electric switches, while the other one attends to the welder, a small instrument connected to the large machine with electrical wires. This third party while at work is surrounded by a canvas protector and hidden to the public. Occasionally large sparks emerge from the protector, and that seems to be the chief attraction. Hundreds of people this noon watched the operations from the sidewalks. The apparatus gets its current from the trolley wire and the tracks.

STEAMERS SIGHTED

SIASCONSETT, Dec. 22.—Str. Bergensford, Bergen, for New York, 360 miles east of Sandy Hook at noon. Dock noon Tuesday.

Sable Island, Dec. 22—Str. President Grant, Hamburg for New York, 777 miles east of Sandy Hook at 7 a. m. Dock 5.30 p. m. Wednesday.

Str. Cassel, Bremen for Boston and New York, 442 miles east of Boston at 10.30 a. m.

WOMAN POET KILLED BY CAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Miss Virginia Vaughn, writer of lyrics and poems, translator and friend of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the Brownings and other authors of half a century past, was killed by a street car in Eighth avenue yesterday.

Miss Vaughn was the daughter of John Champlon Vaughn, an abolitionist, who published anti-slavery newspapers at Cincinnati and Cleveland. She was 81 years old.

DIVISION 28, A. O. H.

The members of Division 28, A. O. H., held a special meeting yesterday afternoon and a feature of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year with the following result:

Patrick J. McCann, president; James O'Sullivan, vice president; Martin D. Sullivan financial secretary; Thomas Lillis, recording secretary; Edward F. Slattery, treasurer; John O'Keefe, sentinel; Dr. Charles Roughan, physician.

At the conclusion of the business meeting a social hour was enjoyed, remarks being made by Bros. Edward F. Slattery, John O'Rourke, past president of the division. Musical numbers were given by Bros. Niland, John Nierney, president of Division 11, Hubert McQuade and others. Brother McCann was instructed to attend the county meeting which will be held at Malden on Sunday, Dec. 28.

40,000 TONS OF TIN

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Welsh tin plate makers have booked orders for some 40,000 tons for delivery to American Canning and Oil concerns between now and June. It was announced here today. The United States tariff, which had almost destroyed the Welsh tin plate trade promises in its revised form, it is said by the makers to prove the salvation of the industry, as they now find they are able to compete successfully with American manufacturers.

RAILROAD DIRECTORS MEET

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 22.—The stockholders of the Connecticut company which holds the trolley properties in this state of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co., met here in special session today and amended the company's by-laws to provide for a chairman of the board of directors.

In a few days the electors will meet and elect Howard Elliott, chairman of the board and L. S. Store, president. At the present time Mr. Elliott is president and Store is vice president. The entire capital stock of the company is owned by the New England Navigation Co.

309 MINERS KILLED

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 22.—One death from accident for every 700,000 tons of coal mined in six of the coal producing counties of West Virginia in the first 11 months of 1913 was shown in the report of Earl Henry, chief of the bureau of mines, made public today. In ten coal counties there were no deaths from mine accidents. Total deaths in the mines of the state numbered 309, compared with 340 for the same period last year. The number of miners employed included approximately 50000.

HENRY CLAY HALL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Henry Clay Hall, former mayor of Colorado Springs, Colo., and once president of the Colorado State Bar association, was considered as one of the state commissioners on the interstate commerce commissioners at a conference today between President Wilson and Senator Thomas and Representative Seldomridge. The congressmen left the White House feeling that their candidate's chances of appointment were favorable.

It is believed to be settled that the president will reappoint Commissioner Judson C. Clements of Georgia, and it was understood that a man for the third place had been chosen but would not be announced until later.

GIRL DISAPPEARS

WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—The police are investigating the disappearance of 14-year-old Margaret Berry of Spencer, who, according to the story of a little girl with whom she was walking on Worcester common Saturday evening, was lured away by a well-dressed young man.

Margaret, who is described as pretty and large for her age, came here with her mother to visit an aunt on East Central street. Mrs. Berry went back to Spencer in hopes her daughter would have returned before her, and when she failed to find her, notified the police.

RESTITUTION SUITS

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—Whether there is a legal basis for restitution suits against certain directors and former directors of the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad on account of a syndicate promotion of subsidiary railroads and their sale to the 'Frisco system was urged before Circuit Judge Sanborn in the United States circuit court here. The arguments were on the petition of William Niles of New York, a stockholder of the 'Frisco road who seeks permission to file restitution suits against certain syndicate members and on the application of receivers for instruction as to whether they shall file a suit for restitution against certain officers or former officers of the road who were members of the syndicate that promoted the St. Louis, Brownsville & Mexico line. The argument today was largely on points of law.

BARRETT SPEAKS

Alderman Barrett says that some people who have been criticizing his administration of the water and fire departments don't know what they are talking about. "I read this morning," said Mr. Barrett, "about water department estimates submitted by me in the beginning of the year and that I was given an appropriation in keeping with the estimates. I supposed that every grammar school boy in the city knew that the water department was self supporting; that it lived on its revenues. The water department revenues will pay for all the work that has been done for the last two years, more work than has even been done in any other two years in the history of the department, and I want to add that I am turning both of my departments over to my successor in better shape than they have ever been before. When I took the water department there was a deficit of $2000 and when I pass it over to my successor the department will be $54,000 to the good. I took it with a deficit of $2000 and I leave it with a surplus of $54,000. The fire department, too, is in tip top shape and I will hand it over to my successor with a surplus of over $20,000."

TO REPRIMAND OFFICERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson today made public a letter addressed to Secretary Daniels requesting that "a very serious reprimand be administered to those army and navy officers who participated in the recent dinner of the military order of the Carabao at which the administration's Philippine and other policies were satirized."

The letter follows:

"The officers who were responsible for the program of the evening are certainly deserving of a very serious reprimand, which I hereby request be administered; and I cannot rid myself of a feeling of great disappointment that the general body of officers assembled at the dinner should have greeted the carrying out of such a program with apparent indifference to the fact that it violated some of the most dignified and sacred traditions of the service.

"I am told that the songs and other amusements of the evening were intended and regarded as 'fun.' What are we to think of the officers of the army and navy of the United States who think it 'fun' to bring their official superiors into ridicule and the policies of the government which they are sworn to serve with unquestioning loyalty into contempt. If this is their idea of fun, what is their idea of duty? If they do not hold their loyalty above all silly effervescence of childish wit, what about their profession do they hold sacred?

"My purpose, therefore, in administering this reprimand is to recall the men who are responsible for this lowering of standards to their ideals; to remind them of the high conscience with which they ought to put duty above personal indulgence and to think of themselves as responsible men and trusted soldiers, even while they are amusing themselves as diners out.

"Sincerely yours,

"Woodrow Wilson."

EXPLOSION ON TRAIN

ROSTOCK, Mecklinburg-Schwerin, December 22.—An explosion occurred on the Russian court special train at the railroad station here just before the arrival of Dowager Empress Marie of Russia, who left Copenhagen today for St. Petersburg. Seven members of the train crew were injured.

MAN LEAPS TO DEATH

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Pursued by 100 passengers through seven cars of a subway train in Brooklyn last night, a youth suspected of being a pickpocket leaped from the front platform of the eighth and last car, when he was about to be seized, and was crushed to death against a pillar of the tunnel. The train was stopped and the body taken aboard and removed at the next station.

The victim was identified through his finger-prints at police headquarters, according to detectives, as Solomon Furst, 19 years old, who some months ago received a brief term in the city reformatory after being convicted of a petty crime.

GLYNN BREAKS WITH WHITMAN

ALBANY, Dec. 22.—Dist. Atty. C. S. Whitman's request that he be appointed a special deputy attorney general, in order to make a state wide graft investigation, will not be granted by Gov. Glynn. The governor, in a statement which criticized Mr. Whitman sharply and questioned his motives in seeking the appointment, made this declaration last night.

In addition to taking the ground that there is no warrant in the law for such action, and that it would be a severe reflection on the district attorneys of other counties, the governor said plainly that, in his opinion, Mr. Whitman's appeal was inspired by political motives.

The governor declared that Mr. Whitman had promised to turn over any evidence of wrongdoing that he found outside of his jurisdiction, but none has come from him. Further, the governor added, if Mr. Whitman would furnish any evidence of this kind which he has, prosecutions will be carried on by the various district attorneys, or he will remove them from office.

NEW MINISTER TO MEXICO

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 22.—Signor Cambiogo, the newly appointed Italian minister to Mexico, arrived here today on the steamer Corcovado and will leave for Mexico City tonight.

BRYAN ARRIVES IN FLORIDA

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 22.—Secretary and Mrs. Bryan and their small grandson arrived here today for a stay of several days at the new Bryan winter home "Villa Serena."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column

B. & M. OFFICIALS

Discuss Housing Problem With the Board of Trade

Henry Bartlett, mechanical superintendent for the Boston & Maine railroad and Robert N. Newcomb, the road's publicity manager, came to Lowell from Boston this afternoon to meet real estate men at the board of trade rooms. They came here for the purpose of impressing upon real estate men and others the very great problem confronting the Boston & Maine railroad in Billerica.

"We are up against a housing and feeding proposition that is some problem," said Mr. Bartlett, who, by the way, is a Lowell boy, "and it is up to the people of Lowell and Billerica to get busy."

Mr. Bartlett suggested that it would be a good idea to make the Lowell board of trade a closing house for persons who have houses to let. He said that the shops would begin operations early in January and that 950 men would come to Billerica right off the reel. He said they would continue to come in squads of from 150 to 250 until 1700 or 1800 men are on the grounds. He said that neither Lowell nor Billerica appeared to be alive to the occasion. "The Boston & Maine," he said, "did not build those shops to look at. They were built for business and the only thing we fear now is that we will not be able to house and feed the men who are coming here."

Speaking in a general way, Mr. Bartlett said: "The shops at Billerica are practically ready for the men to go to work there. It is planned to have the first instalment of workmen actually employed in the locomotive repair shop the first of January. This date may be delayed for a few days, owing to some additional installation of minor parts of machinery, but it is certain that within a few days after the first of January, the first instalment of workmen for this department will be actually employed in the new shop. The total force to be employed in the locomotive shops, which will be operated before the rest of the plant, will total fully 950 men.

"Hundreds of men will be at the big shops within a short time and they must have a place to live. They will spend their money in and about Lowell and Lowell should cease to think of this undertaking as one to be dreamt about as something in the distant future and come to a realization of what the city's problems and opportunities are in having this addition of workmen, well paid and in every way desirable as citizens, suddenly thrust into its midst and dependent upon its resources for a place to live."

SCHMIDT TRIAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The battle of alienists upon which may depend the life of Hans Schmidt was looked for today at Schmidt's trial for the murder of Anna Aumuller. Before court opened this morning the prisoner asked that all the sanity experts but two be excluded from the room. "These two," he said, "are both scientific and humane, and they know that I am sane. The others think I am insane." His request was not granted.

The defense today continued its examination of Dr. Perry Lichenstein, physician at the Tombs, where Schmidt is confined. It was said that only one more witness remained before both sides called their alienists.

Reverting to Schmidt's admission to having forged diplomas for students in Germany, Dr. Lichtenstien said that Schmidt told him he could transfer his personality to anyone he wished; that when he signed a diploma he was not committing forgery, because for the time being he really was the person whose signature he was imitating.

Here the defense called its first alienist, Dr. Smith Ely Jelliffe, of New York.

Telegraphic Brevities

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 22.—Louis T. Rea of Carrollton, Mo., shot and probably fatally injured his wife, Blanche, then shot himself to death in a hotel here early today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—According to New York bankers, the business of the bank of London and Mexico was chiefly of a commercial character. It did not represent the Mexican government in the matter of loans to any great extent.

HERMOSILLA, Sonora, Dec. 22.—Communication by rail and wire has been partially restored throughout northwestern Mexico, according to an announcement made by Ignacio Bonillas, secretary of communications in General Carranza's provisional cabinet. This is assisting materially the constitutionalist campaign by putting the various insurgent leaders in close touch with the general headquarters here.

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 22.—The resignation of Prof. Bruce Wyman from the faculty of the Harvard law school was accepted today by the president and fellows of Harvard college. Professor Wyman tendered his resignation Saturday, explaining that he was prompted by a desire to relieve the law school from embarrassment due to his connection with the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad.

HAVANA, Dec. 22.—Six American refugees from the Mexican seaport of Tampico arrived here today on board the Morro Castle on their way to New York.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 22.—William Hamilton, recently appointed police court justice to succeed Henry Bosworth resigned, presided in court this morning for the first time.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 22—Hector Bouchard of Northampton was given a hearing before United States Commissioner Rice today charged with sending obscene matters through the mail.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Trustees of the George Junior Republic association appointed a committee today to reply to the recommendation of the state board of charity, adopted recently, urging that William George, founder of the Republic at Freeville, N. Y., be removed from all participation further in the Republic's affairs.

SANTIAGO, Chili, Dec. 22.—The minister of finance today introduced in congress a measure for the establishment of a national reserve fund to handle exchange operations and the issue of banknotes.

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STREET MASHERS

In many of the principal cities of the country the authorities have appointed policewomen to the regular police force for the purpose of catching the street mashers that escape the vigilance of the male police officials. Whether the women chosen have not been of the type desired, or whether the task is too heavy for women to handle, or for some other reason, the result has not been quite satisfactory. Arrests have been made in plenty but in most cases the accused are allowed to go when brought before the courts. This does not prove by any means that street mashers do not exist, and in great numbers, but that the method employed to bring them to justice is faulty. There is just the possibility too that a zealous police-lady looking for trouble may give a little more encouragement to the offender than is within the regulations of strict female conduct in public.

One cannot take a walk through the street without seeing the street mashers. They are usually brainless young men of the peacock variety who pay rigorous attention to their neckties and the cut of their garments but little or no attention to public propriety. They stand around in groups and after expending all their epithets of admiration in mutual complimenting, they start in to make themselves as obnoxious as possible to young ladies who pass, especially if the young ladies are unattended. A brawny male escort makes all the difference in the world to the feather-brained ogler of pretty girls, for bless your heart! they would not get into a fight for the world. Fighting is extremely vulgar you know, and it is almost absolutely impossible to look attractive when you are knocked in the gutter.

It is a reflection on our sense of chivalry that a young lady cannot go through the streets or wait at the square for a car without being bowed to, smiled at, spoken to, or more or less openly embarrassed, by absolute strangers who are hanging around to make an impression on the giddy and thoughtless butterflies who pass. While we have the foolish young thing to whom male admiration and public interference have nothing of insult, we must expect to have decent people publicly insulted by cads. All people cry out against the cliques of a rougher sort which collect in out of the way sections and make themselves obnoxious to all who pass, but oftentimes the well dressed and externally clean loafer may smirk and smile with impunity.

There should be one rule of public conduct for gentle as well as rough and this should demand that women and girls be allowed to go about their missions of business or pleasure without being molested by human hawks or dickey birds. Not all the stories of the masher are authentic for we will always have the vain temperamental young lady who sees molestation in every trifling incident of an afternoon walk, but enough of them are authentic, and publicly evident, to warrant police interference. If young men, and the few rascally old ones, were reported to the police for their public insults, we might hope for improvement. We are anxious that our streets should be free from dirt and refuse. Let us also free them from the masher as far as possible.

CHRISTMAS COMES SMILING

The traditional Christmas time comes when the ground is covered with snow, when the airs are keen and piercing, when people go forth enveloped in furs and woolens and when the blazing yuletog invites those who wish to keep Christmas cheer from the chilly out-of-doors to the warmth of the ingle nook. This is the traditional and story-book Christmas, but it will not be the Christmas of Lowell for the year 1913—unless there is a sudden and violent change in the temper of the weather man. For weeks past we have enjoyed weather as unusual as it is delightful and though it may interfere slightly with the romantic setting of the season, it is a great boon to most of the people, and it can be made far more enjoyable than the time of glittering snow time if we set aside our preconceived notions of what Christmas weather should be, and accept what the Lord and Santa Claus have sent in a spirit of joyous gratefulness.

Speaking of Santa Claus, however, awakes one regret for the vanished Christmas time of snows and icicles. How are we going to tell all the wonder-folk of the time that the genial old traveler is coming down from the frosty north in his sleigh drawn by reindeer when there is not an inch of snow on which he may glide over the house tops? Of course he is going to come. He never disappointed us yet. But this year he is not going to use his sleigh. Now is it not just possible that in his pack of mechanical wizardry he has discovered the most wonderiferous of all wonderful aeroplanes with white wings like a sea gull and golden wires like the harp that David played on and an engine that hums Christmas carols instead of saying "Chug, Chug"? He does not change the cut of his beard from year to year, and he still holds on to his scarlet, fur trimmed tunic, but with the wisdom of all the centuries he has lived to make kiddies happy, he has learned what to do when there is no snow for the flying feet of his galloping reindeer.

The only person who can give an authoritative opinion on this most important matter is some grave philosopher of four who pauses long enough in the process of hanging up his stocking to make the old folk wise. But then on second thought it must be plain to all that there are no old folk at Christmas time. We are all children, be we eight or eighty, before the gladsome spirit of the season that gives us abundantly of all good things, not the least important of which is our glorious weather of health and happiness and bracing airs.

TRUANT SCHOOL BOYS

The appointment of a parole officer for the Middlesex county training school of North Chelmsford, otherwise known as the truant school, is a wise precaution and the need for such an official is amply proved by the records of police courts which, to a discouraging degree, testify that the inmates of such institutions should be kept under strict supervision when they are released. At a meeting of the county commissioners last summer it was deemed advisable to pay more attention to this matter and the appointment of the parole officer, to take place the first of the year, is the result. His duties will be to see where a boy goes after being released from the institution, what kind of home atmosphere he lives in, what companions he keeps, what influences surround him, and all other matters that will have a direct bearing on his conduct after being released from the institution. He will also be able to help the officials of the school in understanding each individual case and its needs, for with the sending of a boy to the truant school, he can testify to his past home surroundings, and the line of treatment that is liable to effect his reformation.

It must be discouraging to those interested in social improvement to see how often individuals turn to a criminal life after being released from a reformatory, or other corrective school. The reason, however, is plain. While one has kept out of the toils of the law, and away from the atmosphere of courts, prisons, and restraining institutions, there is a certain wall of natural shame that serves as a protection. Once this has been broken down by an offence it can never be repaired. The histories of prison pardons are repleto with cases which show that incarceration in any form damages the moral nature and predisposes to further crime. It may be that in the past the law concerned itself too much with the punishment and did not reach a helping hand when the released prisoner faced society and its problems. In a smaller sense this was true of all truant schools. The state has done well to realize that its duties do not cease once a boy has been released from such an institution as the school at North Chelmsford, and the appointment of the new official is a move in the right direction.

A TRUST DISSOLVED

The declared intention of the American Telephone and Telegraph company to release its control of the Western Union Telegraph company, and get rid of the stock, is a great and significant victory for the administration. It speaks for the new business ideal mentioned by the president in his letter on the subject to the attorney-general, and it shows distinctively that instead of merciless hounding there will be a spirit of real co-operation between the government and offending institutions in getting their affairs to conform with the anti-trust laws of the country. It may be that the unmerging will cause a temporary confusion in business, but there are not many thinking people who would desire a business catered to by the government, contrary to law. If the law is worth enforcing it must be enforced, and all evidences now indicate that it will be enforced.

President Vail has given an example worthy of emulation to the other large interests of the country, by at once complying with the wishes of the administration instead of dragging out his opposition as many trusts have done during the Taft and Roosevelt regimes without resultant vindication or honor. The "complete frankness" of which the president speaks, has resulted in good in this instance, and it will help to bring about a better spirit in the relations of the government with big business. After the passing of a tariff bill which has left prosperity undisturbed, and a currency bill which will free the monetary system of the country from artificial restraint, we may look forward to the anti-trust activity that is coming with confidence and re-assurance. Business should not, of course, and will not, bow to the government if it is being imposed on in any particular, but if it is apparent that what is desired is in compliance with laws made by the country in its wisdom in the past, the best spirit to follow is the spirit recently shown by the American Telegraph and Telephone company.

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KEEP OFF TRACKS

There is scarcely an edition of the daily papers that does not give a positive warning concerning the danger of walking on railroad tracks or beside them. On Sunday two boys aged 17 were going through the railroad yards at Portland, Me., on the way home from a fishing trip. Seeing a train approaching they hurried to get out of the way. As is usual in railroad construction, there were some holes between the ties and one of the boys slipped, getting his foot into one of these so that he could not extricate it in time. He was held there until the train came and released him by cutting off his leg. This could happen very easily in our railroad yards, and the reason we have not had such accidents is that trains have not come when boys were so caught. The only safe way to walk on railroad tracks is to walk away from them.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

TRIBUTE TO FITZGERALD

Woonsocket Call: Mr. Fitzgerald's political usefulness is not, however, to be looked upon as ended. There is a strong expectation of his complete and speedy recovery. He is still a comparatively young man, whose good habits will now stand him in good stead. The democratic party of Boston and Massachusetts, divided as it is at times, regards Fitzgerald as a strong asset. He is a vote winner of ability and a trained and successful politician. There is party work yet for him which would gratify his ambition and serve the public and the democracy. His mayorship, taken as a whole, has been energetic and productive of good results.

DANBURY HATTERS

Burlington Free Press: The gist of the Danbury hatters case decision is that the Sherman anti-trust law is no respecter of persons, whether those directly concerned represent either capital or labor. That principle is as far reaching as it is fundamental.

THE NEW HAVEN CASE

Salem News: In the words of an old saying, "Where there's so much smoke, there must be some fire." At any rate, the unbiased observer who contemplates the present plight of New Haven and compares conditions with those which prevailed a dozen or 15 years ago, will not rest content with the explanation that the cause of the road's embarrassments must primarily be sought in government regulation and "Washington threats against the security of railroad investments." To hosts of people this must look like a begging of the question.

MUNICIPAL SALARIES

Newport News: A resolution to increase the salary of the president of the New York board of aldermen from $5000 to $10,000 has been withdrawn at the request of Mr. McAneny, who will fill the office for the next four years. He said: "Perhaps the salary is not what it ought to be, but I think it would be wrong to have the salary of an elected officer changed. I ask quite earnestly that the resolution be withdrawn." Score one for McAneny's sense of honor and good taste.

TO THE OLD COUNTRY

Fall River Globe: Never before have the outgoing European steamers at this season been so heavily laden with Christmas offerings wherewith to gladden people in the old world. The increase in the amount of foreign money orders issued by the New York postoffice alone for the month of December represented $1,240,000, the greater portion of which it is fair to assume represented Christmas remittances, while the gift packages that every departing liner has been carrying for the past two weeks, surpasses all previous records.

IMMIGRATION BILL

Providence Tribune: It would bar from entry all Asiatics, militant suffragettes, advocates of sabotage and anarchists. Just why the militant suffragettes were included and not the militant socialists does not appear. This is a palpable weakness of the bill and represents a change that has been made since last spring. The literacy test, requiring all aliens to be able to read and write some language, has been retained. This was the stumbling block which defeated the measure in committee a year or so ago.

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Seen and Heard

Here and there a backyard farmer has already succeeded in explaining to himself why his garden wasn't a success last summer, so that he has changed his mind and has concluded now to try again next year.

One depressing thing about having your fortune told is that the future so seldom turns out the way the fortune teller says it will.

Some people can never be happy with the blessings they enjoy, because the blessings that other people enjoy are so much more conspicuous.

Train robbery is not so frequent in the wild west now as it used to be, although, of course, the Pullman porters have to get enough to live on.

When a man prances into the office and announces in a glad tone that he is full of "pep" it is a good idea for the man at the desk to pull the string that drops down the sign reading: "This is my busy day!"

Not that Representative Robert S. Broussard of Louisiana is finicky about his food; far be it from anything of this sort. Mr. Broussard likes all food, some more than others, but all of it to him is good, and the subject to him is ever interesting.

Good natured always, it is not for him to complain. No man in public life has more reason to be contented with his lot. He is rounding out his eighth term in the house and has nicely buttoned up a six-year term in the senate following that. Contented? Why, that's his middle name.

But the other day he struck a steak in the house restaurant that did not appeal to him. Sadly he pushed it away from him.

"What's the matter with it, Bob?" asked a fellow member who was lunching with him.

"I don't know," said Broussard, "but it tastes like wasted money."

THE KNIGHT'S TOAST

To one whose image never may depart,
Deep graven in the grateful heart,
To one whose love for me shall last
When lighter passion long has passed,
So holy 'tis, and true;
To one whose love hath longer dwelt
More deeply fixed more keenly felt
Than any pledged by you.

And Stanley said: "We crave the name
Proud knight, of this most peerless dame
Whose love you count so high."
St. Leon paused, as if he would
Not breathe her name in careless sound
Thus lightly to another;
Then bent his noble head as though
To give that word its reverence due,
And gently said: "My mother!"
—Scott.

Eggs are so useful in cooking, as every house keeper knows, that they will always hold a place to which they would not be strictly entitled from the standpoint of nutritive value. Of this they have less than any meat that is eaten except veal. Scientists and experts measure the food value of different materials by what are called calories, which represent the heat producing or energy producing quality independent of the refuse and water contained in all foods. Thus measured fresh beef, medium fat, the loin cut, contains 1,025 calories to the pound; ribs, 1,126; round, 715; mutton, leg, 850; loin, 1,415; pork loin, 1,245; fresh ham, 1,326; veal leg, 625; loin, 625; eggs, 635. Eggs contain a large per cent of water and a smaller per cent. of protein and of fat than any of the meats named. It follows that a pound of any kind or cut of meat, except veal, contains more nutritive qualities than a pound of eggs with shells removed.

Johnny Appleseed was the nickname of a quaint and interesting character of early Indiana, who has sometimes been called a pioneer hero. His real name was Jonathan Chapman, and he was born in Massachusetts in 1775. In 1801 or 1802 he arrived in northern Ohio, with a horseload of appleseeds, and from that time on for many years he spent his time tramping over Ohio and Indiana planting appleseeds in every eligible spot he found, and especially in every clearing. If circumstances favored he planted enough to form an orchard. The result was a growth of thousands of apple trees, many of which continued to bear a long time. He was an original character of kindly disposition, and a welcome guest everywhere throughout the sparsely settled country. He died in Allen county, Indiana, in 1847, and was buried not far from Ft. Wayne.

OLD POETS

If I should live in a forest
And sleep underneath a tree,
No grove of whispering saplings
Would make a home for me.

I'd go where the old oaks gather,
Serene and good and strong,
And they would not sigh and tremble
And vex me with a song.

The pleasantest sort of poet
Is the poet who's old and wise,
With an old white beard, and wrinkles
About his kind old eyes.

For these young fibbertigibbets
A-rhyming their hours away,
They won't be still like honest men
And listen to what you say.

The young poet screams forever
About his sox and his soul,
But the old man listens and smokes his pipe
And polishes its bowl.

There should be a club for poets
Who have come to seventy year,
They should sit in a great hall drinking
Red wine and golden beer.

They would shuffle in of an evening,
Each one to his cushioned seat,
And there would be mellow talking
And silence rich and sweet.

There is no peace to be taken
With poets who are young,
For they worry about the wars to be fought
And the songs that must be sung.

But the old man knows that he's in his chair
And that God's on His throne in the sky,
So he sits by the fire in comfort
And he lets the world spin by.
—Joyce Kilmer in Smart Set.

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BETRAYED BY DEATH

WOMAN THREE YEARS IN SECRET ROOM OF LAWYER WHO DIED SUDDENLY

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—In this quiet picturesque village in the last three years there has been enacted a drama that surpasses any episode of an affinity or almost any story that the imagination of a Balzac might evolve.

The fact became public yesterday, following the sudden death of Melvin H. Couch, that he, 63 years old, genial and highly respected, and former district attorney, kept for three years in a secret room in his office a woman named Adelaide D. Brance, and for 12 years prior to that time the two had been intimate, but whether they had lived together clandestinely, the woman refused now to disclose.

In all that time the woman, now 40 years old, left the secret room probably only two or three times, and her existence in this town was known to nobody except Couch himself.

She was practically a willing slave, devoting her entire life to Couch, nursing him when ill and attending to his every want.

For him she gave up her friends and all association with friends whom she had made either here or in other places. Nobody can be found who ever has seen her in the last three years, and she herself said that she went out at night on two or three occasions.

NO HOLIDAY BUSINESS

UNREST FELT THROUGHOUT MEXICO BY MERCHANTS—NO WINDOW DECORATIONS

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—Feeble efforts have been made to arrange holiday festivities in Mexico City this year. Gov. Corono of the federal district has enlisted a few of the city's fashionable women to assist him in holding a Kermess in one of the public parks, but even this show of holiday spirit is half apologetic, it being announced that the proceeds are to go toward buying clothing for the poor.

Merchants in Mexico annually dress their windows and stores to attract the present-buying public, but unlike the stores in the United States the rush is not over until one week later. Some Mexicans buy presents and distribute them on Christmas eve, but all of them give, or want to give tokens of their love and friendship on New Year's day.

This year the merchants have made little effort to capture the holiday trade on account of the unrest throughout the land.

Merchants who had placed orders early in the year with European toy houses have generally cancelled them because of the increased duty on all importations. Such show windows as are decorated with holiday goods this year contain the left over goods of a year ago.

TO BEGIN LIFE ANEW

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 23.—James Moriarty, 35 years old, who was acquitted a few days ago of the charge of having caused the death of Mrs. Caroline Turner, of Lakewood, N. J., is expected to arrive in Manchester today to begin life anew. Moriarty will live with his uncle, Joseph Lehan.

Moriarty was formerly clerk of the Amoskeag National bank, but lost his position. He will seek employment here as a stenographer.

WHY THAYER DECLINED

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Ezra R. Thayer, dean of the Harvard law school, announced last night that he had written to Governor Foss, declining nomination as a justice of the supreme court. Dean Thayer said he felt that he could perform his present duties at Harvard better than he could fill a seat on the supreme bench. His nomination is now before the governor's council.

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LOSES FIGHT FOR BABY

JUDGE REFUSES TO GIVE MOTHER CUSTODY AND RETURNS CHILD TO GRANDMOTHER

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Before her 15-months-old baby, who did not know her, Mrs. Anna L. Washburn of Washington made a tearful plea for the custody of the child in the superior court yesterday.

Notwithstanding her appeal, Judge Crosby decided against her, on the ground that it would be better for the child to remain with its present custodian, the grandmother, Mrs. Ida Parkins Washburn of Everett.

During the arguments Mrs. Washburn, mother of the baby, was forced to listen to grave accusations concerning her own habits.

Mrs. Washburn said she was the wife of John K. Washburn, color sergeant of the 15th U. S. Cavalry, who is suing her for divorce. She claimed her husband stole the child away from her in Washington, last July.

She stated her husband obtained possession of the child by giving her a dollar and telling her to go out and spend it. When she came back the child and father were both gone. She traced them to Everett.

Witnesses testified and letters were produced in an effort to show that Mrs. Washburn used intoxicating liquors.

In making his decision Judge Crosby made it plain that he considered only the present welfare of the child.

At a previous hearing Mrs. Washburn was granted a few minutes in which to fondle the child. Yesterday at the conclusion of the case the baby was carried right past Mrs. Washburn from the court room by its grandmother. In the months that have elapsed since the child was taken from Washington it has quite forgotten her, and in the court room it betrayed no sign of recognition.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of the Benevolent Order of Buffaloes was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Odd Fellows building, Middlesex street, with President James E. Hughes in the chair.

This meeting was transferred from the regular meeting night Wednesday the 24th on account of that date being Christmas eve. It was thought on account of the change that there would not be a very large attendance but the members, realizing that the change had been made for their especial benefit, attended to a man and a very successful meeting was held.

During the meeting various committees made their reports, prominent among them being the report of Supreme Trustee Jesse D. Crook, who is chairman of the whist tournament committee. Mr. Crook assured the members that his committee would have arrangements completed so that they would be able to begin the tournament on the second meeting night in January.

Eleven applications for membership were received and acted upon and everything seems to indicate that the next class initiation seems to indicate that the next class initiation will be the largest up to date.

A large amount of routine business was taken care of and to avoid mistakes the members were notified that there would be no meeting on next Wednesday evening, but after that date the meetings would be held as usual on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month until further notice.

REBELS PLAY WAITING GAME

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 23.—A waiting attitude was assumed by Gen. Francisco Villa and his rebel troops yesterday to learn what action the Federals at Ojinaga intend to take. As long as the bulk of the Federal army in the north remains at Ojinaga, more than 100 miles from striking distance of any of the rebel strongholds, Gen. Villa said he was contented to let them remain there. While the Federals have been provisioning their commissary as if preparing to march into the interior they are without any train or telegraphic communication south of the border. They have among them 10 generals, or one for each 400 soldiers.

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FUNERAL NOTICES

SULLIVAN—The funeral of John J. Sullivan will take place Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock from his home, 74 White street. At 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Columba's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

DOHERTY—The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Doherty will take place tomorrow afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from her home, 17 Queen street. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Services at the grave. Funeral in charge of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons, undertakers.

RILEY—The funeral of Mrs. Rose Riley will take place Wednesday morning from her late home, 150 Cross street, at 9 o'clock. Solemn high mass of requiem at St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

MITCHELL—Funeral services of Moses C. Mitchell will be held from the Mitchell school, Billerica Centre, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends invited. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Young & Blake.

WEBSTER—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Webster will take place tomorrow morning at 8.15 o'clock from her late home, 151 Coburn street. High mass of requiem at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of Funeral Director James W. McKenna.

FITZPATRICK—The funeral of Thomas Fitzpatrick will take place tomorrow morning at 8.30 o'clock from his son's home, 81 Newhall street. At the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock a funeral mass of requiem will be celebrated. Undertaker John J. O'Connell in charge of funeral arrangements.

PARKER—Mr. Levi N. Parker, an old resident of Dracut, died at his home, Greenmont avenue Tuesday, Dec. 23, aged 75 years. Mr. Parker is survived by his wife, one son, Edwin S. of Woburn, three daughters, Miss Alice G., Annie M. and Ethel N. of Dracut. Funeral services Friday at 2 o'clock from his home, Greenmont avenue, Dracut. Friends invited to attend. Please omit flowers. Funeral in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

DEATHS

FITZPATRICK—Thomas Fitzpatrick died yesterday at the home of his son, 81 Newhall street. He leaves one son, Richard and one daughter, Marion.

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HOSPITAL SITE

Continued

erty in question cannot be used as a hospital.

Mr. Cummings said he had been given to understand that the Chelmsford Street hospital ground would not be acceptable to the state board of health as a site for a contagious hospital.

Mr. Howard said that he thought the site offered back of the Lowell General hospital on the Drewett hill site would be available.

Mayor O'Donnell said that very little grading would be necessary on the Pillsbury site, and he said the Pillsbury site would, when everything had been considered, be the cheapest site that could be selected. He said it was easy of access and centrally located.

Asked why the municipal council voted to ask the state board of health to select a site for a contagious hospital, Mayor O'Donnell replied:

"I was opposed to it, and I told Mr. Cummings so, but he made the motion and I voted for it out of courtesy to him."

Messrs. Barrett and Brown said that was exactly their position in the matter.

Mr. Barrett said he questioned very seriously the honesty of the state board of health in not favoring the Pillsbury estate as a site for a contagious hospital and recommending a site in Pawtucketville.

Mr. Howard said the state board's objection to the Pillsbury site was because of its proximity to the Merrimack river and the consequent dampness.

Ald. Barrett asked Mr. Howard if he knew any place in Lowell where real estate had risen with greater development in the last few years than in the vicinity of the Lowell hospital.

Mr. Howard said he thought there had been improvement in that section.

Mr. Howard asked Mayor O'Donnell if it was a fact that he had told a woman over the telephone a week or two ago that he thought the Pillsbury estate unsuited for a contagious disease hospital and the mayor said that to the best of his recollection he did not make the statement.

T. W. Johnson was a remonstrant. He said he had purchased some property at the corner of Andover street and Butman road and he didn't want a contagious disease hospital in that section. He did not think the Pillsbury site a desirable one. He said his dog went in swimming near that site, "and you should have seen that dog when he came home," concluded Mr. Johnson.

George H. Taylor appeared as a remonstrant, representing C. I. Hood. Other remonstrants included Patrick Kelly, E. P. Wilder, Henry E. Worcester and Nathan Lamson.

Thomas Murphy said he understood that the council thought when it voted for the Pillsbury estate that the buildings thereon could be used for hospital purposes, but he had been told they could not be used and in view of this fact $21,000 was an exorbitant price.

Albert E. O'Heir said that the land in Andover street is on a level with the roof of the Pillsbury house. Mr. O'Heir said he presumed there would be remonstrance to the proposition to locate a hospital in any section of the city. He thought a hospital should be located in some place where the land is less valuable. He thought the Pillsbury site entirely unsuited for hospital purposes. He mentioned the Daniel's land as being perhaps a suitable site. He said it would not cost so much.

Mrs. Dexter said she was located nearer the Pillsbury estate than any one present and she was opposed to the purchase of that estate for a contagious disease hospital. She related a conversation she had with Mayor O'Donnell in which she alleged the mayor said she need not have any fear that a hospital would be built on the Pillsbury estate. Mrs. Dexter said that the erection of a hospital there would depreciate her property to the extent of $4000. Asked what her property was worth Mrs. Dexter said she did not know, as she had never set a price upon it. "I do not want tubercular patients passing my front lawn and expectorating about the premises," said Mrs. Dexter. She said that the Dr. Pillsbury estate is "one of the coldest places on the face of the earth."

Mayor O'Donnell, at this point, read communications favoring the Pillsbury estate as a site for a contagious hospital.

Mr. Howard said there was a site in the rear of the Lowell General hospital that could be purchased for about $4000.

For Pillsbury Site

P. E. Dunbar appeared for Dr. Pillsbury and Mr. Guyette, the real estate agent, said he thought there had been a lot of unnecessary hysteria in connection with the matter of locating a contagious disease hospital on the Pillsbury estate. He said there were some utterances made which corroborated the old saying, that the right place to have a boil is on the other fellow.

So far as the Chelmsford Street hospital ground was concerned, Mr. Dunbar said in the beginning he was in favor of the Chelmsford street land, but after investigating he was satisfied that the land there was not even fit for an almshouse.

He said that the original price asked for the Pillsbury estate was $25,000, and that the estate would sell for $21,000 and not one cent less, and so far as Dr. Pillsbury was concerned, he said, he might be eliminated from all arguments.

Mr. Dunbar contended that the buildings on the Pillsbury estate could be used for hospital purposes; perhaps not for tuberculosis cases, but for other contagious diseases.

He said it was probably an unfortunate thing for persons living in the vicinity of the Pillsbury estate that it was so splendidly located and well adapted to hospital purposes. "It is a beautiful location and at a greater altitude over the river than the tuberculosis camps at the Lowell General hospital," said Mr. Dunbar.

He said that Mr. Mills of the Locks & Canals would not say, and he is a recognized authority, that the Pillsbury estate would not be a fit place to treat tuberculosis.

He spoke of the Corey Hill hospital in Brookline, and said it was surrounded with elegant residences and beautiful boulevards.

Alderman Cummings asked Mr. Dunbar a few questions and made the very remarkable statement that all of the contagious diseases in Lowell with the exception of tuberculosis, could be cared for at the ward for that purpose at the Lowell hospital.

Com. Cummings, in reply to questions by Mr. Dunbar, said he did not think the Pillsbury estate was large enough for a contagious hospital. The commissioner said he could not understand why Lowell had been picked out by the state board as the city to be prosecuted.

Mr. Dunbar, in reply, stated that the state board had nothing but to enforce the law and that the city had nothing to do but to obey.

Mr. Dunbar said that the tuberculosis camps at the Lowell General hospital were probably nearer the river than the Pillsbury estate. He spoke of the rugged constitution of the Pillsbury family and allowed that a great many statements made about fog and such like were very much overdrawn.

At 1.50 the meeting adjourned to 3 o'clock.

See Next Edition

NORTH BILLERICA

The last night of play in the Billerica republican club whist tournament was held at the club rooms last night and the list of prize winners announced and their scores is as follows: Thomas Ellis, 202; William McBride, 186; Ralph Manning, 180; William Chambers, 176; Joseph Garner, 193; Louis Perry, 174; William Higson, 174.



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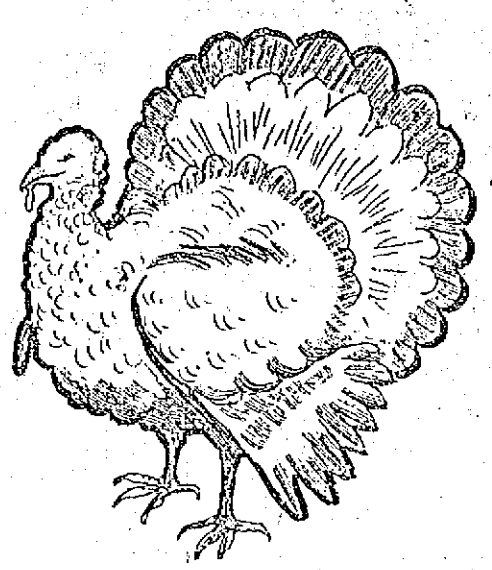
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Athletes and Athletics

Haverhill High will be properly equipped with everything that goes to make a successful football team in the future if present plans work out. Last night the Haverhill Dartmouth club gave the high school eleven a banquet and pledged itself to the support of a new athletic field. One of the city council, a Dartmouth graduate, promised the co-operation of the municipality in the matter. Haverhill is surely proud of its high school football team.

Finney Boyle fought a hard draw with Oscar Lloyd of Boston in the semi-windup to the Corrigan-Riley bout. Finney was in no condition to box but went on because the management could not offer a substitute. The Lowell boy did very well to stand Lloyd off with a draw considering the poor condition his hands are in.

Gunboat Smith and Arthur Pelky are both fit. It is reported, for their bout on the coast New Year's day. Smith is looked upon as the favorite with odds of 10 to 8. Pelky has spent more time in preparing for the contest than has his opponent. It looks like Smith's fight but we must always remember that the Chicopee scrapper packs a punch.

With the release of Dickson the poor Braves are left with only seventeen twirlers on their staff. Rather a weak pitching department numerically, is it not? Dickson was given his unconditional passport yesterday and will leave the sphere for Syracuse next season.

Jesse Burkett is still after those Red Sox youngsters and O'Donnell, the business manager of the Worcester club was in Boston yesterday for the purpose of talking over a few details with Carrigan and Lannin. The latter agreed to turn over two pitchers to the Busters after the spring training trip which looks as though the Worcester team may have two real hurlers on the mound next season.

Whether or not the flash that the Federals are making now is purely stage play cannot be determined, but from all accounts the outlaws are going to make quite a showing next season. They realize as well as the sponsors of the two major leagues that if they do not come through big in 1914 there is no hope for their ultimate success and are making every effort to build up an organization which can compete with the big show.

Rube Waddell is reported to be rapidly recovering from his attack of lung trouble which threatened his life for a while. Rube is now the property of the Minneapolis club, although he is in Texas for the winter. The management of the Minnesota team expects to see Waddell in harness again next spring.

Billy Corrigan, Hector McInnis' pet, shaded Tommy Riley of Biddeford at Dover last night in one of the best bouts seen in the New Hampshire city this season. Corrigan outboxed his husky opponent, but could make no impression upon him. The two were rematched to appear there later on.

Arthur Burckel, the husky tackle of last season's Lawrence high eleven, was yesterday elected captain of the down river school boys' track team. Burckel's election was looked upon as a certainty as he has been a member of the track team for the past two years and is very popular.

MINOR LEAGUE

Wamesits and Oregons Tied for Lead—Nelson and Mason Have High Averages

The battle for league leader in the Minor Bowling league is waxing warmer as the weeks roll by with the Wamesits and the Oregons showing the greatest strength at present. The latest figures give both of these teams a percentage of .714 while the South Ends stand third with .642.

In the individual averages Nelson and Mason stand at the head with a mark of 91 for the league games rolled thus far. Ford and Regnier are close behind with 93. The team and individual figures computed through Saturday are as follows:

TEAM STANDING

	Won	Lost	P.C.
Wamesits	20	8	71.4
Oregons	20	8	71.4
South Ends	18	10	64.2
Bohemians	17	11	60.7
Dodgers	17	11	60.7
Lincolns	10	18	35.7
Superbas	9	19	32.1
Beamers	6	22	21.4

The individual averages over 85 are as follows:

Nelson 97, Mason 94, Ford 93, Regnier 93, Feyler 92, Lane 91, Jenkins 91, Shelvey 91, Atkinson 91, Downey 90, Brush 90, Baxter 89, McKinley 89, Donohue 89, Lees 89, Quinn 88, Holmes 88, Gill 88 Jordan 88, McDonald 88, O'Heir 88, Horndahl 88, Beyer 88, Whitelock 88, Mullin 87, Spano 87, McMahan 87, Carty 87 Underwood 86, O'Brien 86 Dow 86, O'Neil 86, Murphy 85, Schonbohm 85, Phelps 85, Chadwick 85, Kinney 85.

SHIP THROUGH CANAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Panama advices received here today state that consideration has been quietly given to a proposition to put the United States ship Buffalo or some other government vessel through the Panama canal on Wednesday as Col. Goethals' Christmas gift to the American people

BOWLERS SCARCE

Few Games Rolled Off Last Night—Brownies Win a Close Game From Cubs

The Superbas went down to defeat last night before the U. S. Cartridge Shop bowlers, losing every string and the total by the score of 1335 to 1259. O'Brien of the winners was high man, with 274, while his teammate, Gleason, rolled the highest single of 99.

Two games were rolled off in the Saco-Lowell league. The Foundry Five outbowled the Draftsmen and the Pattern Shop won from the Chippers. The high score of the two games was made by Demers of the Foundry.

The Brownies won one of the closest games of the season last night in the Concord league when they defeated the Cubs by a two pin margin. The Brownies were beaten badly until the last string, when they rallied and pulled out a winner. J. Clark of the losing team was high man. The scores:

U. S. Cartridge—Gleason 268, Dulligan 263, Calvert 272, Quirk 258, O'Brien 274; totals 1335.

Superbas—Lynch 260, Baxter 253, Underwood 246, Arnold 242, Nelson 269; totals 1259.

Brownies—McCann 253, Cooney 268, Concannon 274, Finnerty 245, P. Clark 274; totals 1304.

Cubs—J. Clark 275, Quinlan 247, Phelps 266, Eastham 248, Smith 274; totals 1302.

Pattern Shop—Sharpe 245, Shaw 268, Goulart 241, Grant 257, Thurber 258; totals 1215.

Draftsmen—Collins 256, Woodies 261, McKittrick 236, Judd 264, Woodman 256; totals 1273.

Foundry—Brock 264, Desaulniers 257, Proux 249, Demers 259, Sub 235; totals 1294.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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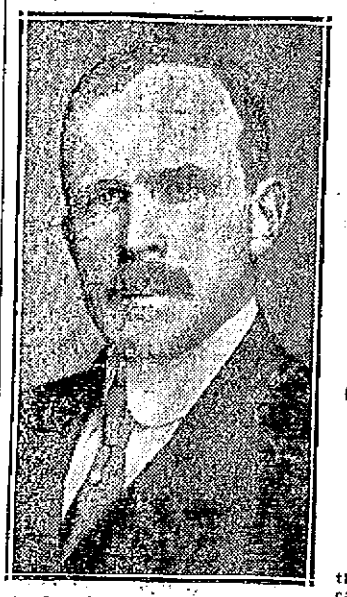
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MR. FREDERICK A. FLATHER, Chairman Campaign Committee.



MR. FRANK A. BOWEN, President Y. M. C. A.

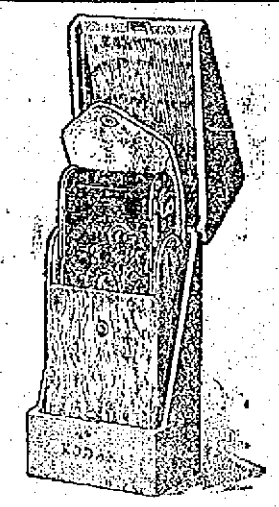
The members of the Y. M. C. A. campaign committee gathered in the gymnasium last night to hear final reports and for a jollification meeting after the great victory in which they raised more than enough money to pay off the debt that has been incurred during the past year. Everyone present was happy and was there with the intention of having a good time, but none had forgotten the important part that others had taken to make the campaign a success and each man expressed his gratitude to all who were interested in the result of the recent campaign.

After supper was served Chairman Flather arose and with brief remarks called for any amounts that had been received since the adjournment of the noon meeting. Several subscriptions were reported, including a number from the boys making a total of $792.56 or over $82,000 for the building fund. The different captains and members of the teams were cheered and all stood up and sang "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow," to music furnished by Cushman's orchestra.

The chairman of the various committees were then called upon and they thanked the men who had worked under their direction and who had given the greater part of their time during the past ten days toward the Y. M. C. A. The chairmen of the committees were: Business men, Burton H. Wiggin; young business men W. H. Hoyt; citizens, S. H. Thompson.

Mr. Flather then called upon Asa C. Russell, who as a member of the

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RECORD COTTON OUTPUT

Mill Consumption of Cotton in U.S. in 1913 Largest in History of the Country

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The mill consumption of cotton in the United States for 1913 was the largest in the history of the country and the value of cotton goods of domestic manufacture exported was greater than for any previous year, the census bureau reported today, in announcing statistics showing the supply and distribution of cotton.

With a supply of 16,225,734 running bales, the domestic consumption was 5,826,330 bales or 35.9 per cent; the exports 8,800,966 or 54.2 per cent, and stocks remaining at the close of the cotton year were 1,598,438 bales or 9.9 per cent. The mill consumption exceeded that of 1912, the previous largest year, by 415,747 bales, and the exports were 1,880,792 bales less than 1912. Stocks on hand Aug. 31 represented about seven weeks' supply for the American mills.

Spindles designed primarily for cotton numbered 32,149,617, a net increase of 566,938 over 1912.

Massachusetts leads all other states, having 11,075,684 or 34.5 per cent; South Carolina ranks second with 4,536,353; North Carolina third with 3,558,399.

Next in order are Rhode Island, Georgia, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Maine and Alabama, all of which have as many as a million spindles.

The value of cotton goods of domestic manufacture exported amounted to $53,743,977. Exports of cotton cloth, which amounted to 444,726,241 square yards, were valued at $30,668,234.

The value of cotton goods imported amounted to $63,935,583.

The United Kingdom, Germany, France and Switzerland, in the order named, contributed the largest amounts, furnishing 95 per cent of the total.

The estimated number of active cotton spindles in the world for the year ending Aug. 31 is 143,308,009, an increase of 37,717,000 or 35.7 per cent since 1900.

Of the total 55,055,000 or 38.6 per cent are in the United Kingdom; 31,520,000 or 22 per cent in the United States; 14,186,000 in Germany; 9,251,000 in Russia; 7,400,000 in France, and 6,084,000 in India. The total mill consumption of cotton for the year is placed at 21,542,000 bales.

The United States with 5,758,000 bales leads all other countries, the United Kingdom with 4,440,000 bales being second.

CO. K IN THE LEAD

DEFEATED CO. M IN EVERY BRANCH OF ARMORY ATHLETICS LAST NIGHT—STANDING OF COMPANIES

Company K went to the front last night in the armory league when it took all twelve points from Company M. The K boys won in all three branches of the military tournament, bowling, shooting and basketball.

Company K now has a lead of eight points over her nearest competitor, Company G. This year's race is certain to prove the hottest contest for premier honors that the Armory has seen since the inauguration of the league.

Company M was completely outclassed on the alleys, losing the bowling match by the score of 1313 to 1210. Captain Greig of the leaders rolled the highest total of 285 and the high single of 104.

In the shooting K also showed undeniable superiority, winning this event by the score of 252 to 207. Sergeant Cashin's mark of 80 was the best made last night.

The basketball game was a grand struggle from first to last with the K quintet of basket shooters leading at the conclusion of the game by the score of 19 to 16. Keough and Brennan both scored four baskets from the floor. The fouls recorded against the losers helped the K team materially. The lineup and summary of the various sports is as follows:

Standing

	Won	Lost
Company K	11	7
Company G	33	7
Company C	10	38
Company M	4	36

Bowling

Company K—Greig, 285; Hart, 236; Pauly, 262; Knight, 252; Sub, 278; total, 1313.

Company M—Mack, 261; Curtis, 226; Wallace, 248; Sullivan, 243; Sub, 230; total, 1210.

Shooting

COMPANY K

Musician Greeley	78
Sergeant Cashin	80
Lieutenant Masters	69
Musician Carll	66
Cook Courtney	59
Total	352

COMPANY M

Cook Kirk	59
Lieutenant Christian	72
Musician Callahan	59
Sergeant Collins	58
Sergeant Coleman	49
Total	297

Lieut. Daniel Christian, range officer.

Basketball

CO. K	CO. M
Keough, rf	lb, Gleason
Fahey, lf	b, McDermott
Huntley, c	c, Brennan
Dyer, rb	lf, Moran
Hiltz, Munn, lb	rf Mills

Score: K 19; M. 16. Fouls: K 6; M. 11. Baskets: Keough 4, Brennan 4, Mills 3, Dyer 2, Munn. Referee, Wilson; timers, Cooney and Lieutenant Waller; scorer, Crowell.

DIAMOND NOTES

Duffy Lewis has a waistcoat that would dazzle and delight Chubby Charley Waistcoat Murphy of the Cubs. Murphy squanders as much money on fancy vests in a year as he pays some of his players, but he never obtained a waistcoat that could hold a candle to Lewis' latest. The garment is made of velvet and has diamond set buttons. If Lewis is ever traded, by all means let Chubby Charley have him.

The official batting averages for the American association show Henri Rondeau, the Woonsocket Frenchman, formerly with Jesse Burkett at Worcester and later with the Detroit Tigers, batting for .378 in 19 game, the past season, but the real leader of the association was Larry Chapnelle of Milwaukee, later acquired by Jimmy Callahan of the Chicago White Sox, who hit in 85 games for .349. Eddie Eayrs, the one-time Brown college pitcher, was second in the list of A. A. swatters, hitting .372 in 27 contests. "Lena" Blackburne, former Worcester shortstop, hit .266 in 165 games for Milwaukee.

Morton F. Plant, millionaire owner of the New London baseball club, has a treat in store for the 1914 baseball team. Through Gene McCann, manager, he announces that the team will train at Tampa, Fla., the winter home of the club owner. The squad will leave about March 10. It is the first time in history that a small league team was afforded the opportunity of a real southern trip as a means of being conditioned for the ensuing campaign. Of course Springfield has been to Asbury Park, N. J., but Tampa! That's big league stuff.

Tyrus Raymond Cobb, according to a letter received at Detroit, has branched out as an inventor, with a baseball bat, an implement with whose use he is considered fairly familiar, the subject of his experiments and improvements. And, according to his claims, the new model that he has developed is going to increase the batting averages next season. As Cobb himself has hit over .400 on his grand average for the past three years, and presumably will be one of the users of the new bat, his words are not cheering to the major league boxmen.

This bat's point of difference from other bludgeons lies in the fact that it has a layer of cork applied to the handle, inset so that it is flush with the wood. It eliminates the stinging of the hands, and enables the batsman to get a better grip. Use of tape, which frequently blisters a batter's hands, is, of course, done away with. Cobb has experimented with the bat at Augusta, and says that the protection it gives the hands cannot be estimated until one has tried it.

Nothing in the rules prevents the use of a bat of this sort, as long as it complies with the provisions in regard to length, diameter and weight. As Tyrus is interested in a sporting goods concern that manufactures and markets baseball paraphernalia, he will turn over the model to that house, so that the new bat can be displayed with the standard sticks when the spring rush for baseball goods begins.

Tinker has a high opinion of Manager Robinson of the Brooklyns. In a Chicago interview Tinker says that Robbie will be a successful team leader and that it will be a pleasure to work under him.

"Robinson is a fine fellow personally," says the Dodgers' star shortstop, "and he knows baseball from top to bottom. He was of great assistance to McGraw and at the head of the Brooklyn team he will employ McGraw's methods. When Robbie gets hold of the Brooklyn pitchers in the spring he will first put them in perfect physical condition so that they can stand the hardest kind of work. He knows how to improve a pitcher's work and how to use the baxmen in rotation.

"Unless I am mistaken, Robbie will institute up to date methods of team play at the bat. He believes in doing the unexpected, which is real baseball. Last season the Brooklyns played the old straightaway game, which was easily solved by their opponents. Everybody knew their signs and yet the system never was changed. Cutshaw is one of the best young second basemen in the game and I feel sure that I will be able to work with him successfully. Red Smith is a good third baseman while Daubert is in a class by himself.

"Robinson will have two great catchers in Miller and Fischer, a first class outfield with Wheat, Stengel, Collins or Riggert in the lineup, while I firmly believe that Rucker, Ragan and Reulbach, backed up by some fine youngsters, will provide plenty of first class pitching. When the Brooklyns get into smooth working order they will make it extremely interesting for the other National league teams, particularly the Giants."

Robinson is reported to be after a veteran player to act as assistant coach. If Kid Gleason can get away from the Chicago White Sox he will be engaged. If not Robinson may sign Duke Farrell, the former catcher of the Giants, Brooklyns and Red Sox.

CHINESE LABOR

41 White Seamen Dismissed and Chinamen Substituted

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 23.—Forty-one white seamen aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia were dismissed yesterday, and Chinese labor was substituted.

In accordance with marine regulations the company will pay the passages home to Liverpool of all members of the crew who were recruited there. The intermediate steamers of the line previously substituted Chinese for white seamen.

DENY REPORT FROM PANAMA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Officials of the Isthmian canal commission have not heard of a plan to put a ship through the Panama canal as a Christmas gift to the American people. Private advices from Panama reported such a plan was quietly being considered by Colonel Goethals. Latest reports to headquarters here do not indicate that the latest Cucaracha slide has been sufficiently removed to permit a ship to pass.

HONOR SENATOR SIMMONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Senator Simmons of North Carolina, who successfully piloted the democratic tariff bill through the senate, will be presented this week with an autographed and handsomely bound copy of the new tariff law. The bill contains autographed notes of appreciation from President Wilson, Vice-President Marshall and several senators, in addition to the autographed signatures of all members of the senate.

GROUP AND COUGH REMEDY

Croup is a terrible disease. It attacks children so suddenly they are very apt to choke unless given the proper remedy at once. There is nothing better in the world than Dr. King's New Discovery. Lewis Chamberlain, of Manchester, Ohio, writes about his children: "Sometimes in severe attacks we were afraid they would die, but since we proved what a certain remedy Dr. King's New Discovery is, we have no fear. We rely on it for croup, coughs and colds." So can you. 50c and $1.00. A bottle should be in every home. At all druggists. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia, St. Louis.

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Men's 75c Slippers, black and tan, alligator, Everett style. Special price, pair... 49c

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Men's $1.50 Slippers, Romeo and Everett styles, also Opera, black and tan. Special price, pair.... 98c

Ladies' $1.25 and $1.50 Felt Shoes, lace and button style. Keep your feet warm. Special price, pair.. 98c

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Ladies' $1.00 Crochet Slippers, in all colors. Special price, pair..... 49c

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Ladies' Rubbers, Extension Heels.....39c
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Children's Rubbers, Extension Heels.....29c
Men's Rubbers, Extension Heels.....59c
Boys' Rubbers, Extension Heels.....49c

BOYS' STORM KING RUBBER BOOTS
Sizes 11 to 2
$1.98

BOYS' SHORT RUBBER BOOTS
Sizes 11 to 2
$1.89

Men's $1 Heavy 1-Buckle Rolled Sole and Heel Overshoes. Special, pair..... 98c

Heavy 4 Buckles, pair $1.98

Rolled Sole and Heel Rubbers—
Men's, pair.....75c
Boys', pair.....55c
Women's, pair.....49c
Misses', pair.....45c
Children's, pair.....39c

EXPLOSION KILLS MAN

Large Tank in East Cambridge Viscol Plant Burst Into Flames —Two Dying

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—An explosion of a large tank of waterproofing fluid, which killed one man instantly and left two others so seriously burned that there is no hope for their recovery, threw the whole operating force of the East Cambridge factory of the Viscol company into a panic yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock.

The jar of the explosion, the screams of the unfortunate men whose clothes were saturated by the stream of liquid fire which belched forth from the tank, and the crash of shattered glass which followed the detonation, sent men and women tumbling over each other in the first wild rush for the stairways and exits. Men jumped from windows of the second floor, some of them without stopping to raise the sashes.

Martin Flanigan of 19 1-2 Durham street, Somerville, was instantly killed and his body burned to a crisp.

Patrick Flanigan, Martin's brother, who lives at 19 Prescott street, Somerville, is thought to be dying at the Cambridge relief hospital from burns about his head, face and arms.

Edward Nester, of 101 Russell street, Charlestown, is also at the Cambridge relief hospital on the dangerous list and the doctors say there is no chance for him to live more than a few days. His body from the neck down is a mass of burns.

As soon as the first dressings had been applied to the injuries of the latter two men last night, the Rev. Dennis W. Brown of St. Mary's church, Cambridge, was summoned to administer the last rites of the church.

According to Medical Examiner William D. Swan and Adolph Sommer, owner of the factory, the explosion was caused by the bursting of an electric light bulb in the hands of Martin Flanigan, as he peered into the tank. The tank held hundreds of gallons of clarol, one of the various kinds of waterproofing fluids which is manufactured by the Viscol company. The tank where the disaster occurred was one of three large storage tanks. This tank rests on the first floor and rises up through an opening in the second floor which is slightly larger than the tank.

Martin Flanigan's body, burned beyond recognition, was hurled 20 feet away from the tank. Nestor, who was near by, was completely enveloped in the flaming gas. He was knocked, unconscious, to the floor. The flames and the force of the explosion tore nearly all the flesh from his hands.

Patrick Flanigan, Martin's elder brother, was near the base of the tank on the first floor. Half stunned by the force of the explosion, he instinctively looked upward. He was blinded by a deluge of flaming clarol which came down from above. His ears were burned from his head. Although he was burned only about the head and arms, the burns were so deep that his name is on the dangerous list.

In the room next to the tank room about 20 women and several men were at work. Immediately all was in an uproar. Frank Viera of 181 Dudley street, Roxbury, in his haste to reach safety plunged through a pane of glass in a window and received a deep gash in his right arm. He was treated at the relief hospital and allowed to go home. In the rush for the windows and stairways, many were knocked down and bruised, but no one was seriously injured.

HOLIDAY TO SAVE BANKS

PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT HUERTA STOPS PAYING OF MONEY IN MEXICO UNTIL NEW YEAR'S

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—By a presidential decree issued yesterday afternoon, every day, until the end of the present year is made a legal holiday in order to check the runs on the banks here, particularly that on the Bank of London and Mexico.

On the promulgation of this decree, the Bank of London and Mexico opened its doors, but refrained from paying deposits.

Provisional President Huerta, in the decree, says he deems such action necessary in order to protect the banks until public confidence is more nearly restored. The banks by this decree are absolved from meeting any obligation until Jan. 2. It applies to all banking houses, whether a bank of issue or not.

With the exception of the Bank of London and Mexico and the Central bank, none has yet taken advantage of the decree and business at the other institutions is being conducted as usual. Crowds gathered about the doors of the two banks mentioned, but there was no disorder. Both banks are being guarded by a strong force of police.

Everybody to Asso., Xmas eve.

REV. EDMUND CORNELL

FORMER PASTOR OF ST. ANDREWS, NO. BILLERICA, GOES TO CHURCH AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Rev. Edmund J. Cornell, O. M. I., former pastor of St. Andrew's church, North Billerica, and later connected with the Sacred Heart church, Lowell, has been assigned to the position of assistant pastor of St. Benedict's church, Seattle, Wash. The reverend gentleman left this city Sunday, but before reporting for duty he will visit relatives in various places in Canada.

Rev. Fr. Cornell was pastor of St. Andrew's church, North Billerica, for four years and completed his work a short time ago when the cardinal appointed a secular priest in charge of the church. During his stay in Billerica the clergyman made a host of friends, who unite in wishing him success in his new field. Fr. Cornell in his new field will be associated with two former Lowell priests, Rev. Eugene A. Dorgan, O. M. I., former pastor of the Immaculate Conception church, and Rev. Patrick McGrath, O. M. I., another former priest of the same parish.

Fr. Cornell recently conducted a week's retreat at the Sacred Heart church and it proved a great success. He is very well known in this city and his numerous friends wish him success in his new field.

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LAWYER HELD

Faces Indictment Alleging the Larceny of $10,000 in Securities

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Herbert E. Dennison, 45 years old, of 19 Aberdeen street, an attorney and member of the Boston bar, wanted on an indictment warrant issued a few days ago charging larceny of securities valued at $10,000, surrendered to Inspector Silas Waite late yesterday afternoon after learning that he was wanted.

After a period of grace under the custody of Inspector Waite, during which he failed to get bail, Dennison was sent to Charles street jail, awaiting arraignment.

The warrant secured by Bernard E. Carbin, attorney for Mrs. Flora E. Allen of 142 Huntington avenue, states that Dennison in 1908 and 1909 fraudulently represented the standing of the United States Construction and Supply company, of which he was president, and took the securities in exchange for stock in the company. The securities are said to be 35 shares of Union Pacific railroad stock, 30 shares in the Safety Car Heating and Lighting company, and three bonds for $1000 in the Chicago and North Michigan railroad.

The United States Construction and Supply company was restrained from doing business by the United States supreme court, on Nov. 20, 1910, for non-payment of corporation taxes, and on May 24, 1913, the International Trust company of 45 Milk street, holders of a trustee's mortgage, foreclosed it, selling the effects of the company at auction. The stock and bonds of the company are worthless according to the complaint.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intentions have been recorded at City Clerk Flynn's office since the last were published:

Paul R. Staples, 27, operative, 7 Bleachery street, and Hazel M. Saunders, 24, burler, 65 St. James street.

James F. McCormack, 22, shoe cutter, 6 Dane street, and Gertrude H. Bird, 18, at home, 630 School street.

Charles McQueen, 22, folder, 853 Gorham street, and Lillian Fowler, 24, operative, same address.

Arthur Pintal, 20, hosiery, 367 Moody street, and Della Gagny 18, hosiery, 3 Dalton street.

Joao de Castro, 23, operative, 26 Charles street, and Ludorina do Jesus, 22, operative, same address.

Lawrence Rabourin, 19, electrician, 21 Tremont street, and Aldea Lambert, 19, operative, 129 East Merrimack street.

Leroy C. Bliss, 22, steamfitter, Chelmsford, and Charlotta B. Baker, 20, at home, 288 Westford street.

Clement Lafortune, 24, clerk, Hall street, and Marie A. Dufresne, 20, hosiery, 159 Hall street.

Frank E. Wing, 25, fireman, 704 Merrimack street, and Annabelle Johnston, 29, weaver, 20 West Ninth street.

Eugene Corcoran, 25, shoe shop, 704 Merrimack street, and Mathilde Lafontaine, 18, hosiery, 447 Moody street.

Emile E. Paquin, 19, shoe shop, 136 White street, and Alice R. Bouland, 23, operative, 120 Aiken street.

William Dyer, 24 teamster, 154 Smith street, and Mary A. Teague, 23, spooler, same address.

Edgar Kennedy, 18, machinist, Tyngsboro, and Irene E. Davis, 18, at home, 62 Middlesex street.

William Hennessy, 39, operative, 8 Tilden street, and Lizzie Pepin, 27, housekeeper, same address.

John J. Whittaker, 45, woolsorter, 26 Cornell street, and Charlotte M. Dawson, 42, at home, Tyngsboro.

Charles Marcotte, 22, laborer, 199 Hall street, and Delvina Veillette, 19, hosiery, 8 Race street.

Arthur H. Rogers, 27, machinist, 27 Wilson street, and Annie E. Kelly, 24, weaver, 418 Middlesex street.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned wish to express their heartfelt thanks to their many friends and neighbors; also to the teachers of the Bartlett school who showed their sympathy by floral offerings and words of consolation during their sad bereavement. In the account of the funeral the following names were inadvertently omitted: Miss Delina McKenzie, Miss Jessie McKenzie and Miss Bell Wood. To those and all others we are deeply grateful and will ever remember their kindness.

Mrs. Catherine Judge,
Miss Alice T. Judge.

STREET RY.

Balloting for Ne — Two Oppo the Field

This is a busy day among street car employes, for the Street Car Men's union, division, 280, is today holding the annual election of officers. The polls were opened at 10 o'clock this forenoon and the voting will come to a close at 6 o'clock this evening. They regular Australian ballot is being used, and three precinct officers, all members of the union, are in attendance all day. These men receive the same pay as the city precinct officers for their day's work.

The election is an important feature among the members of this popular organization, which counts several hundred members in its fold. There is a contest for every office with the exception of day warden and night warden. At the bottom of the ballot, is a referendum question which reads: "Shall the Ladies' Auxiliary have the use of the hall for meetings free?"

At 10 o'clock this forenoon a meeting of the union was held with President Fred Crowley in the chair. Considerable routine business was transacted and at the close of the meeting the polls were opened. A similar meeting will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, at which time the result of the election will be announced.

President Fred Crowley, who is now serving his first term as the head of the association is in line for reelection, and his friends say he is a sure winner, for he has made a very efficient president and the union prospered under his administration. The keenest contest, however, is for secretary-treasurer, this position being made vacant by the resignation of Charles Gallagher, who held the position for six consecutive years, but who recently left the road after being appointed assistant sealer of weights and measures.

The candidates for election are as follows:

President, Fred Crowley, John Griffin.

Vice president: Thomas H. Maroney, Joseph Powers.

Recording secretary: John J. Kelly Timothy Mack.

Secretary-treasurer: Frank Wright, Thomas Sullivan, Fred McEnaney.

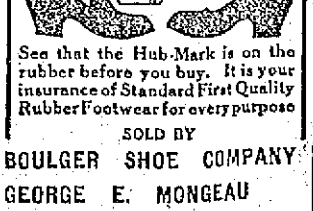
Janitor: Patrick Lowe.

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adventure and experience he assents to their plans and after numerous interesting and exciting incidents and some very clever acting, everything is straightened out and all are happy again.

The staging of the play, under the direction of Howard Sidney is equal to the other qualities of the performance and particularly pleasing are the scenes of the castles of Tarenthal and Zenda, in the third and fourth acts.

The audience at last night's performance was large and showed its appreciation by frequent applause. The photo-plays are good, a number of comical ones being in this week's list, while the Mutual Weekly is fully as instructive and interesting as usual.

OPERA HOUSE

The barn dance scene in "The Capture of David Dunne" at the Opera House today is a whole show in itself. Children at the matinee yesterday were hilarious over it, and the grown-ups were carried back to their childhood days as the avalanches of their applause testified. The lapse into laugh-making does not at all interfere with the serious story of this feature photo-play, which is one with many heart-throbs over the career of the sweet treatment, aid and advice. They provided the means to purchase millions of copies of circulars, pamphlets and other literature with which the public has been educated about tuberculosis. They have established and helped to maintain more than 150 open-air schools for children who needed open-air treatment. These are just a few of the ways in which the $400,000 received last year was expended. This year $1,000,000 is needed. Surely every one can help by buying at least ten seals.

The Lowell Guild is the local agency for the Red Cross stamps.

THE POST OFFICE

The busiest place in Lowell today is the postoffice. Thousands of packages of parcels post matter and pieces of first class matter are being received and sent out hourly and every man in the employ of this department is hustling as he never hustled before.

The rush last night was so great that it was some time after 8 o'clock the usual closing hour, when the stamp windows were closed. At 8 o'clock there was a long line of people who failed to heed the injunction to "Do Your Christmas Mailing Early" attempting to reach each of the windows and the stamps were sold and parcels post packages received until the lines dwindled down. Tonight the regular windows will be open until 8 o'clock and then the night windows will be in operation until 12. However, the earlier one arrives at the postoffice to purchase stamps or send packages the less time he will have to spend standing in the lobby.

Although no exact estimate can be secured, it is evident that far more business is being transacted at the post office this Christmas season than ever before. Tons of parcels post matter has been received here for delivery and like reports are received from other cities throughout the country. The number of packages handled during the past two weeks will run up into the thousands and hundreds of sacks are being transferred daily between the office on Gorham street and the B. & M. station. Extra men have been put to work, more space has been secured and extra teams have been placed on the parcel post delivery system so that everything possible is being done to avert delay in handling either mail of parcels post matter.

TWO DROWNED

PETERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 23.—Joseph Kennedy of Albany, N. Y., and C. A. McLaughlin of Lynchburg, Va., were drowned in the Appomattox river here last night and H. W. Belden of White Plains, N. Y., had a narrow escape. The men were standing on the wharf when McLaughlin stumbled and fell into the water. In trying to rescue him Kennedy and Belden were thrown into the water. The bodies were recovered.

MAY BE CALLED TO COURT

Attorney General Will Compel Lowell to Build a Contagious Hospital

Attorney General Swift has filed the necessary papers asking for a writ of mandamus to compel the city of Lowell to come into the supreme court and show why the law has not been lived up to in the matter of the erection of a contagious disease hospital.

It may be that the attorney general is not aware of the fact that the municipal council has selected a site, or perhaps he is not disposed to take any chances. The matter has been hanging fire for years and he thinks perhaps that it is about time to force the issue. He has also haled the city of Gloucester into court, for that city, too, has failed to obey the law.

TO HOLD BANQUET

The ways and means committee of the fourth degree, K. of C., held a meeting in the council chambers last evening and decided to conduct a banquet for their lady friends and members on Tuesday evening, Jan. 20. The plans as arranged last evening are to make the affair, which will be the first of its kind ever held by this branch of the council, one of the most successful banquets ever held in this city. The committee is composed of men, very familiar with this line of work, and all are working zealously to make the affair one to be long remembered by all who attend.

Miner's latest, Asso., Xmas eve.

PRESIDENT AT PLANTING OF THE "WILSON ELM" AT WHITE HOUSE



PRESIDENT WILSON PLANTING TREE
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson assisted in the planting of an elm tree on the White House grounds, which will be known as the "Wilson elm." It takes the place of the so-called "Cleveland elm," which planted by President Rutherford B. Hayes, was blown down in a storm last July. The illustration shows President Wilson throwing shovelfuls of dirt into the hole in which the tree was planted.

Latest Local and Telegraphic News of the World

DROP 50 IN STREET DEPT.

Mayor O'Donnell Receives Strong Letter From Architect Stickney in Favor of Pillsbury Site

Today about fifty men were laid off in the street department. They had been employed mainly on laying cinder sidewalks and cleaning streets. The regular men who have been on the paving and macadam work finished the jobs on hand yesterday and will attend to the work of the men who have been laid off.

Favoring Pillsbury Site

Mayor O'Donnell has received a number of communications favoring the selection of the Dr. Pillsbury estate as a site for a contagious disease hospital. This morning he received the following letter from Architect Frederick W. Stickney:

Lowell, Dec. 22, 1913.

Hon. James E. O'Donnell, Mayor:

My Dear Mr. O'Donnell—I want to write just a line in behalf of the Dr. Pillsbury estate for a contagious hospital. This note was suggested by myself to Dr. Pillsbury, and not by any request from him.

I know the construction of the house as an architect, although I did not design it. It was built by the day, has a double air space all around the outside, making it warm in winter and cool in summer. It would make an ideal administration building. I know that the house itself (not figuring in cost of land, grading, stable and other improvements) cost what it is now assessed for. It is certainly an ideal location, and is far away from everybody so as to make it isolated. It is not in a valley, but way above the river, with a fine system of drainage, a pure water supply, etc. It is also the nearest location of any lot, or building, that has yet been suggested, to the centre of the city.

I have, as you know, no possible personal interest in the matter. If I had I should not think of writing to you. Aside from my friendship with the doctor, I feel that as a citizen, taxpayer and architect of some experience that this location should be carefully considered. I am, Sir,

Most respectfully yours,
Frederick W. Stickney.

Hotel Alterations

According to a permit taken out at the office of the superintendent of buildings at city hall this forenoon, the Arlington hotel at the corner of Central and Hurd streets is about to undergo extensive alterations. The hotel belongs to the P. Dempsey estate and the application for the permit states that the alterations and additions will include the rebuilding of the building now used as a shine parlor, the putting in of plate glass windows and a new metal exterior. Other improvements will include new floors and new roofs.

A permit was granted Mary J. Murphy this morning for repairs and alterations to a building at 192-194 Suffolk street. The permit calls for interior alterations including three toilets, one on each floor.

DATE CHANGED

Lowell Club in Montreal to be Inaugurated on Fourth of January

The date of the inauguration of the new Lowell club recently organized in Montreal, Que., which had been set for Sunday, January 11, at the request of several residents of this city, who intend to attend the festivities, has been changed to Sunday, January 4, according to a notice received at The Sun this morning.

This club was formed among residents of the Spindle City and the organization now counts 65 members. When the news of the organization of a Lowell club in the Canadian metropolis was announced in the columns of The Sun, many prominent men of this city signified their intention of going to Montreal, if the date of the celebration could be changed so that they could have the benefit of the mid-winter excursion to Montreal and Quebec, and a word to that effect was sent to the organizer of the club, Rodolphe J. Vigneault, and his reply that the date had been changed to January 4 was received this morning.

The Lowell men who will make the trip will leave here on Dec. 31, and it is believed will return on the following Tuesday morning. Many will take advantage of this trip to visit relatives in the Dominion and the excursion promises to be an interesting one.

MR. FREDERICK A. FLATHER,
Chairman Campaign Committee.

The members of the Y. M. C. A. campaign committee gathered in the gymnasium last night to hear final reports and for a jollification meeting after the great victory in which they raised more than enough money to pay off the debt that has been incurred during the past year. Everyone present was happy and was there with the intention of having a good time, but none had forgotten the important part

POLICE COURT

Many Offenders Were Before Judge Enright for Drunkenness

The unique spectacle of a man fully togged in Wild West regalia, with the exception of a Colt's six gun, was presented last night on the streets of this city by Joseph Pepin.

With a belt full of wicked looking cartridges and the cuffs and swagger of a full-fledged cow puncher, Pepin proceeded to show his friends how he behaved when he was a "hard guy" as he himself termed it.

Officer Simon Lane stopped the antics of Pepin, however, and took him to the station. On account of the fact that the defendant has a wife and two children depending upon him for support Judge Enright placed his case on file with a warning not to be brought in again.

Gilbert Cyr is an old man, but he still likes his alcoholic stimulants, which fact landed him in police court today. Officer Regan testified that the defendant entertained a crowd of companions at his house three or four times a week and that on the majority of these occasions they all got drunk. Last night Cyr was helplessly drunk and had to be carried into the patrol. On account of the man's age the court allowed him to depart with a suspended sentence of three months in jail hanging over his head.

John A. Landry appeared this morning on a drunkenness charge for the third time within a year. Officers Breault and Regan told the court that the defendant was very drunk and boisterous, but Landry asserted with heat that he was absolutely sober. To be sure he had taken two glasses of beer and perhaps three or four, but he was not drunk. However, Judge Enright ordered the defendant to pay over a fine of $10.

Jeremiah Mahoney was given a jail sentence of two months for drunkenness. Daniel McCleary was sent to the same place for ten days. McCleary was also drunk.

David S. Booth and Minnie Lablanc were given direct sentences on a statutory charge this morning. Captain Atkinson and Patrolman McMannon arrested the pair in the Bon Marche building early Saturday morning. Booth was given a six months' sentence to the house of correction and the girl was sent to jail for three months.

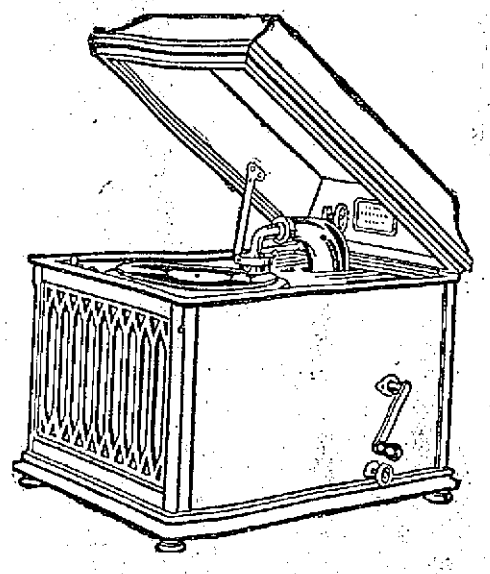
The case of Michael Shamus and Najah Hayeck, charged with disturbing the peace, held the court until well past the noon hour today and proved the most interesting feature of this morning's docket.

The two men were engaged in a fight in Middlesex street near Perry's court when an officer who was riding by in the car jumped in between them and arrested Shamus. The officer gave a description of the events which took place after his arrival, the most salient point being that after he had stepped in between the two men Shamus tried to strike Hayeck.

Shamus was placed upon the witness stand and examined by his lawyer. In answering his attorney's questions he said that he was only arrested once. William A. Hogan, Esq., who appeared for Hayeck, then went into his police court record and disclosed the fact that Shamus has appeared on four occasions. Mr. Hogan gave the witness a severe grilling.

The trouble started, it seems, when a nephew of Shamus went to the fruit store of Hayeck and rubbed off some of the fruit. Shamus claimed that Hayeck struck the child while Hayeck said that he simply sent the youngster home.

However it was, the two men got into a great tangle over it. Shamus, Dr. Brady said, was suffering from a ruptured ear drum when he called on him the following Monday, and Hayeck had a finger badly chewed by Shamus. The case dragged along with several lawyers appearing for Shamus. Both lawyers made a long summing up of the case. Judge Enright found Hayeck not guilty and ordered his discharge. Shamus was found guilty and ordered to pay a fine of $25. He appealed and was held in $300 bail for the next session of the superior court.



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BOTANIST KILLED

Chas. B. Robinson Attacked by Natives of Amboyna Island

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 23.—Charles Budd Robinson, the United States government botanist, killed by natives of Amboyna island in the Malay archipelago was the only son of C. B. Robinson, one of the oldest working telegraph operators in Canada. News of his death arrived today via Manila.

Young Robinson graduated from Dalhousie university, Ontario, in 1892. He taught for several years and then, having made a study of the botany of eastern Nova Scotia, New Foundland and the lower St. Lawrence, he spent several years at Harvard university. Later he was connected with the Bronx park museum in New York. At the time of his death he was employed by the bureau of sciences of the department of the interior in the Philippines to study the flora of Amboyna island. He was 41 years old.

C. B. Robinson, Sr., is manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co.'s office at Pictou, N. S.

MISS WILSON TO HELP POOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Liberal donations to the "opportunities" of the Associated Charities have been made by Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president and chairman of the local branch of the Society for the Prevention of Useless Giving, according to an announcement made at the Spugs' headquarters. Miss Wilson keeps in close touch with the headquarters and is taking an active interest in the movement to care for the city's poor during Christmas.

Mrs. Wilson also is evincing a lively interest in the work.

CATTLE PERISHED IN FIRE

ELLSWORTH, Me., Dec. 23.—Twenty head of blooded cattle were lost when the barn of Dr. C. C. Morrison, a prominent resident of Bar Harbor, was burned last night at Mariaville with all its contents. The loss was placed at $7,500. The insurance was small.

CO. K IN THE LEAD

DEFEATED CO. M IN EVERY BRANCH OF ARMORY ATHLETICS LAST NIGHT—STANDING OF COMPANIES

Company K went to the front last night in the armory league when it took all twelve points from Company M. The K boys won in all three branches of the military tournament, bowling, shooting and basketball.

Company K now has a lead of eight points over her nearest competitor, Company G. This year's race is certain to prove the hottest contest for premier honors that the Armory has seen since the inauguration of the league.

Company M was completely outclassed on the alleys, losing the bowling match by the score of 1313 to 1210. Captain Greig of the leaders rolled the highest total of 285 and the high single of 104.

In the shooting [illegible]

STORM WARNING

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The local weather bureau today received the following special from Washington:

Southeast storm warnings ordered displayed at 10.30 a. m. from Cape Henry to Boston. Disturbance over Ohio valley moving eastward; will cause increasing easterly winds this afternoon and tonight, shifting to northwest Wednesday with rain and fog.

$100,000 LOSS BY FIRE

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Damage estimated at $100,000 was caused to the distributing plant of the George H. and Philip Leib Co., dealers in mill and plumbing supplies here, early today by fire of unknown origin.

OVERCOME SHOPPING

REV. DR. WHITLOCK, AGED 70, FATHER OF MAYOR OF TOLEDO, DIED AT CLEVELAND TODAY

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 23.—The Rev. Dr. Elias Whitlock, 70 years old, of Toledo, father of Mayor Brand Whitlock of Toledo and a retired Methodist clergyman, died here today. He was overcome Saturday while doing Christmas shopping with his son, William C. Whitlock of this city, with whom he expected to spend the holidays. Mayor Whitlock was with him when the end came and it was during the death watch that the mayor received word of the senate's confirmation last night of his appointment as minister of Belgium.

POOL TABLES FOR SCHOOLS

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—A resolution providing for the installation in school basements of bowling alleys and pool and billiard rooms will be introduced before the new Cleveland board of education at an early meeting. Mrs. Arnold Green, a board member, has announced that she will be sponsor for the resolution.

Mrs. Green will also set afoot the proper formalities for having school buildings used as social centers at night. A portion of the school report showing that some 13,000 Cleveland parents made visits to the schools during 1913 is evidence, she says, that parents will be sufficiently interested to make the social centre plan work successfully.

HARVARD AND PRINCETON

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Harvard and Princeton, victors respectively over Columbia and Yale in the opening games yesterday, met today in the second round of the twenty second annual intercollegiate chess tournament. Columbia was opposed by Yale.

MINISTER FOR 63 YEARS

REV. DAVID TULLY, AGED 95 YEARS, PREACHED SERMON AT PHILADELPHIA CHURCH TODAY

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The Rev. David Tully, who is active in the ministry at the age of 95, preached a Christmas sermon before the Presbyterian Ministerial association here today. Dr. Tully took for his subject: "The Order of Christ's Priesthood." He spoke without notes, his voice was clear and strong. The venerable clergyman has been in the active ministry more than 63 years. He is the regular Sunday preacher in Calvary Presbyterian church at Highland, Pa.

All up to Asso., Xmas eve.

THE PLAYHOUSE

"A Trip to the Sun," such is the name of the musical comedy which is being presented at the Playhouse by the "Sunshine Girls" this week. The first performance of this catchy piece was given yesterday before a large audience, and from the start the audience was kept in merriment. The chorus selections as well as the solo parts are numerous and well handled. The comedy is created principally by Harry Lander, John Hanson and Paddy Joyce, old men in the business, who know how to please their audience.

The solo work of the musical program is contributed largely by Miss Sutherland, Miss Glueco, Miss Rhodes, Miss Clifford, Miss Ardrie, Miss Ferguson and Miss Zola. In the living pictures this week, Miss Arline Joy is seen to advantage. Her work is very commendable and also pleasing. The performance will be repeated afternoons and evenings.

TO BUILD RAILROADS

AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TWO RAILROADS IN CHINA BY GERMAN ENGINEERS

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—An agreement for the construction of two railroads in China by German engineers who are to utilize purely German materials, capital for which is to be provided by German financiers, was signed today by the Chinese foreign minister and the German minister to China at Peking.

The first line is to run from Kaomi, near Kiachow, on the Shantun railroad, southward to Hanchwang, where the Tien Tsin Puko railroad crosses the Grand canal.

The second line is to extend to the Shantun railroad from its terminus at Tsinan to Shuntch on the Hunkow river.

The cost of the two undertakings is estimated at from $17,500,000 to $20,000,000.

RECORD BUTTER PRODUCTION

NEWARK, Del., Dec. 23.—What is claimed to be a record production of butter on the Delmarva peninsula has been made by "Maud H's Lass," a registered Holstein cow at the Delaware college experiment farm. Although in milk for nearly ten months, the record of this cow last week was 12 pounds of butter fat, equivalent to a little more than 14 pounds of butter. In nine months the cow has produced 16,139 pounds of milk and 653 pounds of butter.

STEAMERS TO ARRIVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Arrived: Steamers Chicago, Havre, Czar, Libau, Halifax.

Cape Race, Dec. 23.—Steamer Philadelphia, Southampton, for New York, 1540 miles east of Sandy Hook at 10.50 p. m., 22d. Dock 8.30 a. m. Saturday. Steamer La Savoie, Havre for New York 1370 miles east of Sandy Hook at 10.50 p. m. 22d. Dock 8.30 a. m. Saturday.

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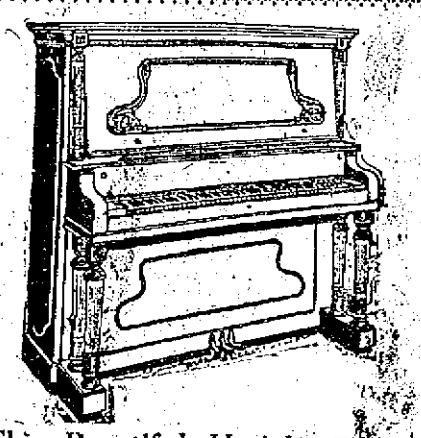
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DEATHS

RILEY—Mrs. Rose Riley, widow of the late John Riley, died yesterday at her home, 150 Cross street. She was a devout member of St. Patrick's parish. She leaves three sons, Thomas and John of Lowell and Edward of Gardner, Mass., and three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Beau and Mrs. Joseph Costello of Boston and Rose G. Riley of Lowell.

FITZPATRICK—Thomas Fitzpatrick died yesterday at 81 Newhall street. He leaves one son, Richard, and one daughter, Marion.

FUNERALS

ROCKWELL—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary B. Rockwell were held at her home, 28 C street, yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. H. W. McLean, pastor of the Highland M. E. church. The bearers were Messrs. J. H. Colburn, W. N. Mills, Charles Bicknell and F. E. Miller. Burial was in the family lot in Westford, where the burial service was read by Rev. Mr. Wallace. The flowers were many and beautiful. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

BUTLER—The funeral of Mrs. Claribel Butler, widow of James E. Butler, took place from the rooms of Undertakers J. B. Currier Co., 58 Prescott street, yesterday afternoon. The flowers were many and beautiful. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond Clapp, pastor of the First Trinitarian church, and the bearers were Messrs. Charles H. Doake, Anderson J. Ives, F. E. Butler and Herbert A. Simmons. Rev. Mr. Clapp read the committal services at the grave, and burial was in the family lot in the Pelham, N. H., cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers J. B. Currier Co.

McKENZIE—The funeral services of Mrs. Rebecca McKenzie were held yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur E. Rabcour, 783 Bridge street, Rev. F. A. Macdonald officiating. Many beautiful flowers were received from the many friends of Mrs. McKenzie. Burial took place today at Barling, Me. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

SHARP—The funeral of Catherine Sharp took place yesterday afternoon from the rooms of Undertaker Peter H. Savage, and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The bearers were Daniel McCarthy, James Flannery, John Bardon, William Gilligan and Frederick J. Lynch. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Kerrigan read the committal prayers. Undertaker Peter H. Savage had charge of the funeral arrangements.

SENATE CONFIRMS WILLIAMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—In spite of the opposition of William F. McCombs, chairman of the democratic national committee, George Fred Williams of Dedham, Mass., was confirmed by the senate last night as minister to Greece. Mayor Brand Whitlock of Toledo, O., was confirmed as minister to Belgium. There was some opposition to Mr. Whitlock by Ohio democrats on the ground that his democracy was uncertain.

GRAFT CHARGES

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Thomas F. Kerrigan, acting as counsel for the David E. Kennedy corporation, has called on the Boston finance commission to investigate the work done in connection with the erection of the Charlestown public library, to see that the city of Boston will not be obliged to pay for material it did not get under its contract, and to further see to it that the city gets full measure of damages for the breach of contract he alleges to have been made in connection with this work.

Y. M. C. I. vs. SOUTH ENDS

Tonight in the Y. M. C. I. hall what promises to be a red hot game will be played when the South Ends, a fast aggregation representing the club of that name meet the strong Y. M. C. I. team. Both teams have been putting in some hard practice for tonight's battle and will be in good form. The teams will be picked from the following men for the South Ends: Dowd, Lyons, Gargan, Grady, McMahon, Boland, and McCarthy, for the Y. M. C. I. King, Harrington, McMahon, Haggerty, Clark, Farrell, Marren, Brennan and Cawley.

Between the periods the second teams will play and the first game will be called at 8 p. m.

STEAMER TO ARRIVE THURSDAY

SABLE ISLAND, Dec. 23.—Steamer Athinai, Piraeus for New York, 700 miles, east of Sandy Hook at 6.15 a.m. Dock 8.30 a. m. Thursday.

SEE DELAWAN COMET

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 23.—Two observations received of the Delawan comet at the Harvard observatory, one from Cordoba, Argentina, and the other from the naval observatory at Washington indicate that the celestial visitor is increasing in brilliancy and can now be seen in a small telescope. It has also a northerly movement of six minutes and 15 seconds a day.

If the comet continues to increase in brightness it may prove an interesting spectacle in the southwestern heavens this winter.

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WILLING SLAVE TALKS

Woman, Who for Three Years Lived in Secret Room of Lawyer, Says Love Was Responsible

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—With the release from the Sullivan county jail probably today of Miss Adelaide M. Brance, the woman who for three years endured voluntary confinement for the sake of being the secret companion of Melvin Couch, the mystery of her identity may never be solved. She told her jailer last night that her only wish was to be permitted to leave Monticello quietly to lessen the burden of anxiety for Mrs. Couch and her daughter.

Bit by bit Sheriff Frank Kline and George L. Cook, county prosecutors, brought out the story of Miss Brance's life with Couch, whose death was announced in so dramatic a manner Sunday at the home of Dr. J. Murlette, brother-in-law of the dead attorney.

It was due to the discovery of the presence of the woman by the widow when she was led to explore a room in his office her husband had always forbidden her to enter that the story became known and the manner of the life for three years of voluntary prisoner revealed.

Miss Brance told the prosecutor that many years ago she lived at Goshen, N. Y., but facts concerning her early life she withheld. After much questioning she told of her life in the little room opening off Couch's offices, of how she never went out except at night and then only when she was sure no one would see her and how she lived on provisions brought to her by the lawyer and through it all was happy because she loved and was loved.

She said she was forty years old and had been a book agent, but stopped there except to add that it was while trying to interest Couch in a book 15 years ago that their friendship began. They met at frequent intervals after that time, she said, until about three years ago when they concluded that secret meetings that lasted a day at first could be prolonged to a week, then weeks, and finally led to her taking up living quarters in the lawyer's office.

When confronted by the widow of the man with whom she had lived in secret for so long, Miss Brance begged for forgiveness, crying piteously "I loved him; I loved him."

Although her hair is streaked with silver and her face pallid from her enforced confinement, Miss Brance's voice is well modulated and the quality of tone bespeaks education and culture.

At the county jail, Miss Brance has denied herself to all callers, saying that she desired only to be permitted to leave the scene of her love and to be forgotten.

An autopsy performed upon the body of Couch revealed that his death had been due to heart disease. The coroner's verdict was accidental death. Following the autopsy the body was taken to his late home at the request of the widow. Mrs. Couch refused to discuss the case.

WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Final arrangements for the annual meeting of the Women's Metropolitan Golf association in this city Jan. 10 have been made. The championship tournament probably will be at the Plainfield Country club.

ASK FOR XMAS PARDONS

THREE PETITIONS BEFORE GOVERNOR AND COUNCIL—DAVIE, BOY BROKER, AMONG THEM

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Three petitions for Christmas pardons will come before the governor and council tomorrow. The most famous is that of Robert E. Davie, the "boy broker," whose case was pleaded before the council last week. The matter was postponed at the request of Lieutenant-Governor Walsh, who desired to secure the opinion of the board of paroles and pardons.

Davie has served half of a five-year sentence on the charge of misappropriation of money. His mother, who appeared before the council last week, will make another plea.

The second petition is that of George E. Hunt of Worcester, who is under conviction for attempt at bribery. He has not served any of his sentence of six months, but has paid $100 fine.

The third case is that of Charles Neal, a teamster, who has been at Deer Island since Aug. 13, under sentence of one year for larceny.

WOMEN SMUGGLE PET DOG

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Miss Grace Lloyd of California, who arrived by the Hamburg-American liner Amerika, brought a Pekingese dog about eight inches long, with a much longer pedigree, that played hide and seek in the muffs and satchels of women passengers nearly all the way across.

The rule of the ship is that dogs must be turned over to the butcher, not for conversion but for the general comfort of the passengers. This rule is not always applied to toy dogs. Miss Lloyd heard it would affect her Fo-fum so she prepared to protect it.

Capt. Schmelke sent an officer to get Fo-fum. She told the officer she did not have him. She had had a conference with other passengers and all agreed to harbor Fo-fum in muffs and satchels until the terrible peril of the butcher had passed. When the officer left he suspected the plot and looked up other passengers. But Fo-fum was kept moving from satchel to muff and muff to satchel and got here unobserved by skipper or officer.

BLINDED BY HORSE KICK

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—George A. Cowdry of Wakefield park, Wakefield, known throughout the state as a horseman and a trainer, and ex-president of the Quannapowitt Driving Club, was temporarily blinded yesterday afternoon while treating his favorite horse, Belle Park.

Mr. Cowdry approached his sick horse in the stable to apply an acid to his hoof. Irritated by the biting fluid the horse kicked the bottle and knocked it from Mr. Cowdry's hand.

The liquid spurted into Mr. Cowdry's eyes. He was taken to his home and a physician summoned. He will be temporarily blind and will permanently lose the sight of his left eye, it is feared.

TELEPHONIC TESTIMONY

VICKSBURG, Miss., Dec. 23.—Testimony purporting to have been obtained by means of a telephonic device was introduced yesterday at the trial of State Senator G. A. Hobbs, charged with soliciting and accepting a bribe in connection with a bill providing for the creation of a new county in Mississippi. This testimony tended to corroborate that given by Stephen Castleman, who after cross-examination yesterday, was excused. He swore that he had given Hobbs $200 as a bribe.

1000 GIRLS STRIKE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Nearly a thousand employes of the William H. Taubel hosiery mills in Kensington, most of them girls, went on strike yesterday. Notices announcing a two per cent reduction in wages after January 1 were said to have caused the walkout.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

One of the most interesting dramas that has been seen in this city for some time, "The Prisoner of Zenda," was presented at the Merrimack Square theatre last night and will be continued twice daily during the remainder of the week. The play is sure to please all who see it as it is full of thrilling incidents and has just enough comedy interjected to appeal to the ordinary theatregoer.

Nearly every member of the company, including one or two new faces, is seen during the presentation and all handle their parts exceedingly well. Walter Scott Weeks as "Prince Rudolph" has a part which suits him perfectly. He first appears as king and later as an Englishman and does some very clever character acting which is appreciated by the audience. John Charles, a cousin of the king, is seen to advantage as the "Black Elphberg," and he again proves his ability in characterizing a villain. Excellent acting is done by Edouard D'Oize and Thomas Carroll, followers of the villain; Frank DeCamp, an old soldier; Stewart Wilson, Howard Sidney and the other male characters, while Miss Grace Young as "Princess Flavia" again proves her strength as an actress in the above part. Miss Edith Winchester, a new member of the company, deserves especial praise for her interpretation of two characters, "Amelia," the countess of Rassendyle, and "Antoinette De Mauban." Miss Winchester's pleasing ways are sure to prove popular with Lowell theatregoers and her acting this week is very good.

The play opens in the forest of Zenda and centres around Rudolph V, who is planning to marry the beautiful Princess Flavia. The king's cousin, the Duke of Steslau, attempts to do away with the king so that he might mount the throne but when the time comes it is learned that he has been drugged by some scoundrels and is not in condition to carry out his plans. However, a young Englishman who resembles in appearance the regent is called upon to take part in the ceremonies and as he is a man of the adventure and experience he assents to their plans and after numerous interesting and exciting incidents and some very clever acting, everything is straightened out and all are happy again.

The staging of the play, under the direction of Howard Sidney is equal to the other qualities of the performance and particularly pleasing are the scenes of the castles of Tarenhel and Zenda, in the third and fourth acts.

The audience at last night's performance was large and showed its appreciation by frequent applause. The photo-plays are good, a number of comical ones being in this week's list, while the Mutual Weekly is fully as instructive and interesting as usual.

OPERA HOUSE

The barn dance scene in "The Capture of David Dunne" at the Opera House today is a whole show in itself. Children at the matinee yesterday were hilarious over it, and the grown-ups were carried back to their childhood days as the avalanches of their applause testified. The lapse into laughmaking does not at all interfere with the serious story of this feature photoplay, which is one with many heart throbs over the career of the sweet country girl through many trials to the realization of her heart's desire to happiness. Another feature of special mention is the superb Kalem western production, "In Days of His Life," showing how retribution overtakes a man who plots the downfall of his rival. Taken amid natural surroundings and in locations in harmony with the story, this Kalem production is as interesting as any play produced upon the boards.

"STOP, THIEF"

"Stop, Thief" is the name of a new farce Cohan and Harris are sending to this city. It will be presented at the Lowell Opera House next Tuesday evening, Dec. 30. Carlyle Moore, the author, has chosen kleptomania for his subject matter in the play a prospective benedict and his father-in-law to be are afflicted with a mania for stealing, though neither is aware of the other's communicated influence. The bride-to-be has received a number of valuable gifts, and the inclination to steal coming over him, the groom engages a detective to curb the morbid impulse.

When the play opens a simon-pure dyed-in-the-wool thief, smuggled into the house by a new maid, is mistaken for the detective and introduced to the family as such. In these unusual surroundings the astonished cracksman proceeds to exercise his nefarious calling, while responsibility for the disappearance of one valuable article after another, is accepted by the kleptomaniacs.

"Stop, Thief" is to be given here by the original company that was seen at the Gaiety theatre, New York city for an entire season, six months at Geo. M. Cohan's Opera House, Chicago and which is now playing at the Park theatre, Boston.

THEATRE VOYONS

An unusual picture is now being shown for the last time today at the Voyons entitled "The Sunken Treasure." This picture is a story of the sea. Two fellow-divers are in love with the same girl, while she only prefers one. How George, working on the remains of a sunken treasure, is saved after Peter cuts the air tube, is a thrilling and unusual situation in motion pictures. You should see the motor boat race and where the automobile stops the train; also the battle in the hold of the steamer and finally the death of Peter when a bullet ignites a case of powder, causing it to blow the steamer to atoms right before your eyes. We also show a great western reel entitled "The Face of Fear." See the two government men whip the two Indian horse thieves.

KEITH'S THEATRE

The bill at Keith's this week is well up to the average of this thoroughly reliable house. A melee evolved from the visit of members of an opera troupe to "Uncle Josh's farm" and the experience of Hiram furnishes a barrel of fun and frolic. The other acts are all good. Stickney's miniature circus has all the features and a comedy of a circus with the clowns and everything else in great array. It is intended to make children laugh, but the old folks enjoyed last night's performance almost as well as did the children who of course, were delighted.

Charles F. Lemon might change his name to slender if he wanted the name to indicate his personal appearance. His various stunts are curiosities in their way and all good. Mlle. Longenetto gives many impersonations in a most realistic fashion, winding up with the role of the lawyer in Madame X, and in all is quite effective. Two other acts complete the bill and each is productive of laughter. The pictures are first class as usual.

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6.25	7.26	8.00	8.58
6.47	7.30	7.23	8.51
b8.40	7.53	7.50	8.35
6.57	8.00	n8.21	8.28
7.21	8.03	9.00	9.30
7.56	8.37	9.30	10.08
e7.28	8.49	11.05	11.43
8.56	9.37	12.30	1.02
n9.12	10.24	1.00	1.38
9.45	10.30	2.00	3.09
10.00	11.10	3.00	3.49
10.56	11.40	b3.44	5.02
11.33	12.15	4.05	4.58
12.15	1.03	e4.14	5.27
1.45	2.23	5.00	5.35
2.34	3.27	b5.21	6.26
3.59	4.40	6.37	6.38
4.30	5.27	b5.51	7.10
5.31	6.25	6.14	7.28
b6.12	7.17	8.03	8.38
6.42	7.25	8.30	9.08
7.43	8.25	10.30	11.38
9.55	10.40	11.21	12.17
12.15	1.06	12.05	1.15

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.45	7.56	a6.40	8.06
8.05	9.07	9.14	10.29
8.35	10.31	10.50	11.51
10.05	12.07	11.50	12.55
12.02	1.13	2.14	3.20
z1.27	2.33	3.30	4.40
3.40	4.47	5.14	6.11
5.15	6.25	6.03	7.05
7.25	8.37	7.00	8.15
8.53	10.15	9.35	10.34

Sunday Trains

Portland Division

8.50	9.25	8.00	9.18
12.10	1.16	12.00	1.06
3.50	5.06	3.30	4.46
6.45	7.56	5.20	6.36
8.35	10.04	8.45	9.45

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	7.30	5.45	6.47
7.21	8.05	8.39	10.05
8.05	9.04	11.05	11.43
8.45	9.49	1.00	1.58
9.05	9.45	4.30	5.24
10.20	11.17	6.00	8.38
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Tomorrow evening a Christmas tree will be held in the vestry of the Congregational church of North Chelmsford for the benefit of the Sunday school children. A musical program will be given under the direction of Supt. Herbert T. Hadley and the teachers.

A meeting of the general committee of St. Patrick's Academy Alumni was held Sunday and considerable business was transacted. President M. P. Mahoney occupied the chair and the various committees in charge of the arrangements of the coming annual reunion and banquet of the alumni reported progress. A letter of regret was received from Cardinal O'Connell through his secretary, in which His Eminence stated that his many official appointments compel him to forego the pleasure of attending the coming banquet. The committee will meet again next Sunday at 10.30 a. m.

The members of Merrimack lodge, I. O. B. A., at their last meeting held the election of officers for the ensuing six months with the following result: President, A. S. Goldman; vice president, B. Siegel; treasurer, Louis Abrams; secretary, Nathan Friedman; trustees, Frank Goldman, Esq., Solomon Baker and Max Carp; outside guard, Samuel Haut; medical examiner and family physician, Dr. George E. Caisse. The following committee was appointed to take full charge of the initiation of new members: A. S. Goldman, Frank Goldman, Dr. Maurice Fishman, Max Carp, George Bresth, B. Goldberg, J. Steinberg, George Greenberg, A. Stein, A. Gustat, S. Baker. The lodge recently purchased a tract of land near the Chelmsford line for a cemetery, and it is believed the place will be ready for dedication in the spring.

PROMINENT MINISTER DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Rev. John Thomas McFarland, D. D., former president of Iowa Wesleyan university and editor of Sunday school publications of the Methodist Episcopal church since 1904, died yesterday at his home in Maplewood, N. J. Dr. McFarland was born at Mount Vernon, Ind., in 1851 and was educated at Iowa Wesleyan university, Simpson college, Iowa, and Boston university school of theology.

TINKER FULL FLEDGED DODGER

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Joseph B. Tinker, former manager of the Cincinnati club officially became a member of the Brooklyn National league club yesterday when his release was formally promulgated by Secretary Heydler of the National league. Secretary Heydler received word from President Herrmann of the Cincinnati club that Tinker had been sold to Brooklyn, and Tinker's name was accordingly placed on the reserve list of the Brooklyn club.

TO SAVE AND ECONOMIZE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Difficulties experienced by postal officials in reaching the people to "save and economize" are set forth by Third Assistant Postmaster General Dockery in his annual report made public last night.

To minimize this problem, Mr. Dockery recommends the inauguration of a campaign of education by which the people may be brought into closer touch with the postal savings service.

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NORRIS FOR COMPTROLLER

PRES. WILSON SAID TO FAVOR RETIRED BANKER FOR CURRENCY POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson is inclined to nominate as comptroller of the currency his friend George W. Norris, a retired banker, now director of docks, wharves and ferries in Philadelphia. There is a vigorous fight over this nomination, however, and uncertainty, it is said, over the outcome.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo is strongly for John Skelton Williams, now assistant secretary of the treasury. There is powerful opposition to Mr. Williams, whose course in the treasury department has brought down considerable criticism upon him, and this would undoubtedly be reflected in the senate sufficiently to delay confirmation.

Representative Mitchell Palmer of Pennsylvania was at the White House offices yesterday to urge the nomination of Mr. Norris, whom he indorsed. He came away uncertain what the president would do. "I hope Mr. Norris will be named," Mr. Palmer said last night, "but I have no reason for saying he will be."

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DISPATCHED FROM CHICAGO YESTERDAY—FORCE WORKED ALL NIGHT

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The height of this year's Christmas business was reached at the Chicago postoffice yesterday when more than half a million parcel post packages were mailed. So great was the rush that the entire postoffice force, including Postmaster Campbell, worked all night. More than 200,000 postcards were dispatched during the day.

BACK FROM ARCTIC REGION

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—A journey home for Christmas, begun several months ago over Arctic ice, ended last night when members of the Polar Bear expedition arrived here. The party included Louis Lane, captain of the schooner, Eben S. Draper, Jr., Dunbar Lockwood and Will T. Hudson, the photographer. The Polar Bear was firmly gripped in the ice when they left her and by forced marches made their way over Alaskan trails. The party was met at Chicago by former Gov. Eben S. Draper, who told his son of the death of his mother last September.

MAN AND NIECE KILLED

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Dillard Hunter, a farmer, and his niece, Miss Nora Hunter, were instantly killed near here yesterday when a buggy in which they were driving was struck by a Louisville & Nashville passenger train. The accident occurred at a sharp curve.

BALL CLUB SOLD FOR $150,000

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—The Indianapolis American Association baseball club was sold by Sol. Meyer, owner, to J. C. McGill of Denver and William Smith of New York city late yesterday for $150,000. The purchase price was paid to Sol Kiser, Mr. Meyer's representative at a meeting in Chicago.

THE GRAND COURT

Has Opened Suit—The Papers Served in Case at Nashua

NASHUA, Dec. 23.—Papers were served yesterday on all the officers of the former Court Marquette and Court Greenville, F. of A., the organizations expelled from the order recently after voting to secede. The papers will be served in a bill in equity and in actions of law.

The action is taken by the grand court of New Hampshire through Doyle and Lucier as counsel. The bill in equity calls for the old officers to produce all books, papers and funds which were the property of the courts. The Nashua court had about $3000 when it seceded and this was divided among the members. The Greenville court had about $2000 which was also divided. The grand lodge claims the money belongs to the organization and that it was divided illegally under the laws of the organization.

There were 454 members in the Nashua court and 134 in Greenville. The cases are attracting wide attention in secret orders throughout the state. The courts claimed that they seceded from the order because of the high expense of running the grand court and that they went strictly by law in disbanding and dividing the money. The cases will come before the January term of the superior court.

$50,000 LOSS

Block and Stable Destroyed and Church Damaged by Fire

SANDWICH, Dec. 23.—Boyden's block at the corner of Main and Franklin streets and the livery stable of Jerome Holway were destroyed today by a fire which also caused considerable damage to the Unitarian church and the residences of Arthur Green, Captain Nichols and Ambrose E. Pratt. The loss is estimated at $50,000.

GREET TOURING BALL PLAYERS

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—That the National will assist the American league in giving welcome to the world touring Chicago White Sox and New York Giants on their return to New York next March was made known in a letter received here today by President Johnson of the American league from President Tener of the National body. President Johnson recently announced that he would accompany a party of White Sox supporters to New York to greet the homecoming tourists. Governor Tener requested that plans for the celebration be made jointly with the national league and it was announced that his request will be granted. The Chicagoans will arrive in New York March 6, the date the players expect to land.

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Men's Corduroy Vests (Blanket
Men's Corduroy Vests (Sheepskin Lined)
Lined)
Men's Pants
Men's Hose
Men's Arm Bands
Men's Garters
Men's Underwear
Men's Union Suits
Men's Hats and Caps
Men's Umbrellas

Useful Gifts for Boys

Boys' Sweaters
Boys' Negligе Shirts
Boys' Flannel Blouses
Boys' Madras Blouses
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Boys' Play Suits
Boys' Indian Suits
Boys' Russian Suits
Boys' Norfolk Suits
Boys' Russian Overcoats
Boys' Auto Overcoats
Boys' Pants
Boys' Rain Coats
Boys' Rubber Coats
Boys' Hockey Caps
Boys' Golf Caps
Boys' Underwear
Boys' Union Suits
Boys' Hose
Boys' Gloves

Useful Gifts for Women

Ladies' Flannelette Gowns
Ladies' Nainsook Gowns
Ladies' Combinations
Ladies' Corset Covers
Ladies' Cotton Drawers
Ladies' Shirt Waists
Ladies' White Skirts
Ladies' Silk Petticoats
Ladies' Sateen Petticoats, and Colored
Ladies' Ripplette Petticoats
Ladies' House Dresses
Ladies' Wrappers
Ladies' Skirts
Ladies' Tea Aprons
Ladies' Large Aprons
Ladies' Allover Aprons
Ladies' Sweaters
Ladies' Long and Short Kimonos
Ladies' Bath Robes
Ladies' Rain Coats
Ladies' Umbrellas
Ladies' Hose, Silk, Cotton and Wool
Ladies' Neckwear
Ladies' Handkerchiefs

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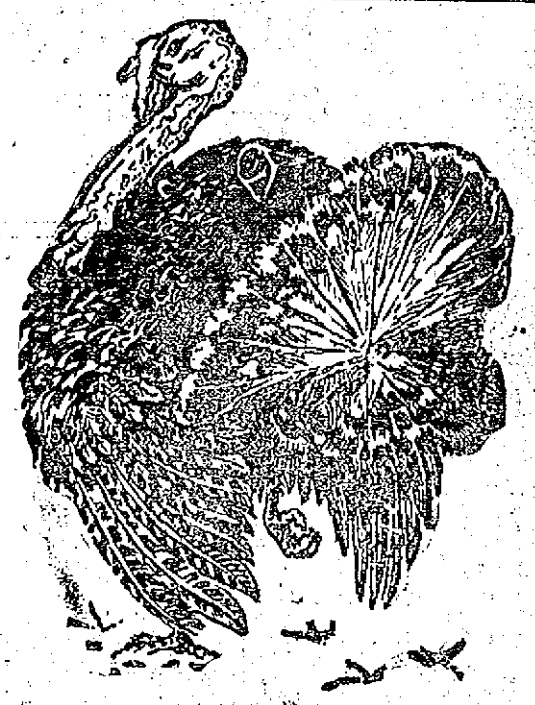
Children's Corduroy Coats, Red, Blue, Green
Children's Galatea Rompers
Children's Flannelette Rompers
Children's Gingham Rompers
Children's Dresses
Children's Sweaters
Children's Bath Robes
Children's Flannelete Gowns
Children's Underwear
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Children's Gloves and Mittens
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Children's Knit Caps
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Linen Napkins
Mercerized Table Damask
Linen Table Damask
Colored Table Damask
Damask Towels
Turkish Towels
Cotton Blankets
Wool Nap Blankets
Wool Blankets
Plaid Wool Blankets
Bath Robe Blankets
Cotton Puffs
Wool Puffs
Down Puffs
Crib Down Puffs
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CURRANTS, Pkg.	8c
English WALNUTS, No. 1, Lb.	15c
CRANBERRIES, Qt.	5c
CELERY, Boston Market	10c, 14c
SQUASH, Lb.	4c

ORANGES, doz.	12 1-2c, 15c
BANANAS, doz.	10c
GRAPEFRUIT	4c
APPLES, fancy, pk.	30c
DATES	10c lb., 3 lbs. for 25c
FIGS, extra Turkey, lb.	11c, 17c
MIXED NUTS, lb.	14c

ORANGE PEEL, lb.	15c
LEMON PEEL, lb.	15c
CITRON, lb.	15c
MINCE MEAT, pkg.	6c
PLUM PUDDING, pkg.	9c
POULTRY DRESSING, pkg.	9c
FANCY RIBBON CANDY, in boxes, 2 lbs., for	23c

FANCY ASSORTED CHRISTMAS CANDY, lb.	18c
OLD FASHIONED VANILLA CHOCOLATES, lb.	17c
Special Old-Fashioned Chocolates in pound boxes	20c
CREAM PATTIES, lb.	18c
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At his home in Billerica early this morning Moses C. Mitchell, the founder of the Mitchell's Boys' school passed away after a lingering illness, at the age of 77 years. Deceased was born at Temple, Me. and came to Billerica 35 years ago, having previously established a school at Marthas Vineyard. He leaves a widow, Mary H., one son, Alexander, who succeeded him as director of the school some years ago; two brothers, J. A. Mitchell of Carthage, Minn., Henry of Temple, Me., and one sister, Mrs. M. A. Fenderson of Temple, Me. He was a member of Kilwinning lodge, F. and A. M. The Mitchell's boys' school is known throughout the country and many of the students come from distant states. The old school was burned some twenty years ago after which the present structure was erected.

SENATE APPROVES BILL

Conference Report on Currency Measure Accepted—Now Goes to President Wilson

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The conference report on the administration currency bill was approved by the senate today by a vote of 43 to 25. As the house already had approved it there remained only the signature of the vice president and the speaker to complete the measure for President Wilson's signature.

Three republicans and Senator Poindexter, progressive, joined the democrats voting for the bill in its final form. The republicans were Senators Jones, Norris and Weeks. The passage of the bill was greeted with little demonstration.

With the president's signature at 6 tonight, the hour set by the White House officials, the bill becomes law, although it actually will not become effective until the new system has been organized by a committee of government officials designated by the measure.

Speaker Clark signed the bill in the house at 2.50 p. m.

SENATE MET THIS MORNING TO ACT ON REPORT OF CURRENCY BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The administration currency bill entered the last stage of its passage when the senate met at ten o'clock today to take up the conference report which already had been delayed 24 hours by difficulties in the house.

Backed by the overwhelming democratic majority of the house yesterday when the bill was passed by a vote of 293 to 60 the bill came to the senate for what leaders confidently expected was the last time, with the agreement on all disputed points approved by the lower body. It remained for the senate to act upon the compromises which had been effected between the managers of the two houses.

The democratic majority in the senate seemed to be working smoothly and the leaders expected to see the bill finally engrossed and on its way to the White House for President Wilson's signature before night. All the changes made by the conference managers were agreeable to the president and it was understood in official circles that he would accompany his signature with some sort of a statement to the country.

PRES. WILSON WILL SIGN BILL AT 6 O'CLOCK, THE OFFICIALS SAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Six o'clock tonight was the hour set by White House officials for President Wilson to sign the currency bill. Five hours later the president plans to leave for Pass Christian, Miss., for a three weeks' vacation. Senator Owen and Representative Glass, co-authors of the bill, members of the congressional banking committees and leaders in congress, were invited to attend the ceremony. The president will sign the bill with two gold pens and present one to Senator Owen and the other to Representative Glass.

The president had a cabinet session today and exchanged Christmas greetings with his official family.

CONGRESS WILL RECESS UNTIL JAN. 12, AFTER FINISHING WITH CURRENCY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—When the senate finishes with the currency bill, congress will recess until January 12. The Christmas holiday vacation will be the first the tired legislators have had since April 7, when President Wilson called them together in extra session to tackle the tariff and currency problems. The house before adjourning last night agreed to the joint resolution for such a recess and the senate leaders were prepared to adopt it today.

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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL VOTES TO BUY THE PILLSBURY ESTATE

At last the municipal council has voted to purchase the hospital site—the Pillsbury estate.

At the adjourned meeting of the municipal council held this afternoon Frank E. Dunbar finished his argument begun at the hearing earlier in the afternoon. Before he arrived some other business was transacted and the matter of purchasing the West Centralville park land was postponed. Before the close of the meeting the order for the transfer of $21,000 for the purchase of the Pillsbury site was adopted and it was thereby voted to purchase said site.

The municipal council reconvened at 3.15 o'clock this afternoon and in the absence of Mr. Dunbar who had not completed his argument in favor of the Pillsbury estate for a hospital site when the hearing adjourned at 1.50 o'clock, the council proceeded to other business.

Com. Cummings asked permission to make improvements on certain buildings under his authority and the same was granted. All the improvements were of a minor nature.

Jurors Drawn

The following traverse jurors, eight in all, were drawn to serve in the superior court at Cambridge in January next:

Gilbert W. Hunt, 801 Stevens street, teamster.

Martin T. Mack, 18 Court street, lunch cart proprietor.

William Dixon, 39 Roper street, insurance.

J. P. Horner, 353 Westford street, manufacturer.

Charles E. Cook, 152 Smith street, elevator operator.

John P. Breen, 8 Lyons street, loomfixer.

William S. Johnson, 173 Stackpole street, baker. The jurors were drawn by Alderman Barrett.

Alderman Cummings then drew the name of Alfred Harnois, 472 Moody street, agent, to serve as a grand juror in the superior court at Cambridge, in January.

Park Land

The petition for a skating park in West Centralville was referred to Ald. Barrett.

Claims for injuries to persons and property were referred to the committee on claims.

Planning Board Member

The mayor read a communication from John C. Wilson in which he declined to serve as member of the city planning board and Jesse C. Crook was elected in his stead.

West Centralville Playground

The proposition to borrow $33,000 for a playground in West Centralville was read and Alderman Brown moved that further action be postponed till Tuesday next and that the council visit the premises on Saturday. It was so voted. At 3.40 the mayor declared a recess of ten minutes.

Meeting Resumed

The meeting was called to order again at 4 o'clock and Mr. Dunbar added just another word to his argument earlier in the day. He spoke about the sewerage question at the Pillsbury estate and said that arguments had been made years ago for sewer connections, and he said that sewer connections could readily be accomplished there at the present time.

Mr. Dunbar said that the Pillsbury estate was bathed in sunshine all the time that the sun shines. "I am sure if you would inquire of the state board of health," he said, "you would get a statement to the effect that it is a perfectly suitable place for a contagious disease hospital."

The hearing was then declared closed and the mayor read a communication from the city solicitor relative to money transfers.

Pillsbury Estate Purchased

Mayor O'Donnell read the order prepared by the city solicitor and appropriating $21,000 from the general treasury fund for the purchase of the Pillsbury estate for a contagious hospital.

The order on a formal vote was adopted, those in favor being Mayor O'Donnell, Alderman Barrett and Alderman Brown. Alderman Cummings voted in the negative and Alderman Donnelly was absent.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Arrived, steamers Bergensfjord, Bergen; Kronland, Antwerp.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Jules Clarette, one of the French "immortals" and administrator of the Comedie Francaise, died today of influenza.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Steamer Ultonia, Trieste for New York, 196 miles east of Sandy Hook. Time not given. Dock 9 a. m., Wednesday.

ALBANY, Dec. 23.—"Osborne must investigate or vacate," Gov. Glynn said today in discussing the status of the graft investigation the special commission started several weeks ago.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The Mexican legation here today announced that the Mexican government had deposited with bankers abroad money sufficient to meet the interest due in January on the government bonds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Central Leather Co. declared today a dividend of $2 a share on its $40,000,000 common stock, the first dividend ever declared on the common stock since the company was organized in 1905.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Applications for membership in the new federal reserve system have been received at the treasury department from all the banks in the Clearing House association of Kansas City, Mo.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—The marines and bluejackets from the Japanese cruiser Idsumo, which arrived at Manzanillo yesterday, are coming to the federal capital merely on a visit of several days' duration.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Suit against the Southern R. R. Co., brought by the St. Louis & San Francisco R. R. Co. to recover a half interest in the New Orleans Terminal Co. was argued today in the supreme court.

BATH, Me., Dec. 23.—With an American flag and carnations, Miss Madeline Chase of Everett, Mass., christened the 1200 ton barge Irene as it started down the ways today. The barge was launched ready for sea and will hail from Boston.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 23.—It has just become known that the ashes of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Henry F. Brewerton, U. S. A. (retired), which were interred here in the family plot of the Island cemetery a few weeks ago, were shipped here from New Jersey by parcels post.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Diplomatic despatches today report that a forced loan of $50,000, Mexican, has been advanced by Spaniards at Acapulco to the federal military commander.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The battleship Ohio at Charleston, S. C., for fumigation for smallpox, was today ordered to Delaware Breakwater, where better facilities are available.

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 23.—Officials of the Western Federation of Miners in charge of the strike of copper miners today denied that any considerable number of members are even considering returning to work as a consequence of the ultimatum of the mine managers that none of the strikers will be taken back after Jan. 1.

PEKIN, Dec. 23.—The Chinese government today cabled to its representatives abroad to urge the powers to agree to Russia's proposal that all foreign troops should be withdrawn from the province of Chi Li, including the legation guards, the regiments at Tien Tsin and the troops guarding the railway.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—The Massachusetts Bar association established a precedent today by admitting a woman to membership. Miss Mary Mahan, an attorney of this city who was unanimously elected a member of the organization at its annual meeting is the first woman admitted to any bar association in Massachusetts.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 23.—The petition of the Quebec Extension R. R. Co. to construct a railroad between the New Brunswick and Quebec boundaries in the northern part of Maine was approved today by the state board of railroad commissioners. The road is to be built from Caribou to a point above Megantic, a distance of 110 miles.

BINGHAM, Utah, Dec. 23.—If Ralph Lopez, slayer of six men, is still in the Utah Apex mine, where he took refuge on Nov. 27, he is securely sealed up and will be held a prisoner there until after Christmas. Not a sound has come from the mine since Dec. 14, when heavy bulkheads were erected in the tunnel mouths to prevent a dash for liberty.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 23.—The charges against Dr. Henry Miller, superintendent of the Augusta state hospital, Dr. Seth Gordon of Portland and Mrs. Laura L. Cony of Augusta of the state board of trustees of insane hospitals on which a hearing was held early this month had not been reported at the monthly meeting today of the governor and council when the noon recess was taken.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The trustees of the George Junior republic of Freeville, N. Y., will take no action on that part of the recent report of the state board of charities recommending that William R. George, founder of the institution, be removed from all participation in its affairs. The trustees take the ground that Mr. George officially severed his connection with the republic in 1908 and that they have no jurisdiction over him.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—District Attorney Whitman was prepared to resume this afternoon both the John Doe and the grand jury inquiries into political graft. Several up-state contractors are under subpoena to testify in connection with the alleged exaction of political contributions from them in behalf of the democratic state committee while the grand jury expected to hear witnesses in connection with the alleged attempt of a politician to extort money from a bidder on a Croton aqueduct contract.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23.—The police continued their investigation today of the killing of Daniel DeVilliers, the Boer veteran who was shot here Sunday by Roy Glover, a Texas land agent, while he was attempting to see the former Mrs. De Villiers.

HERMOSILLA, Mexico, Dec. 23.—Captain Lobert Roberto Montano, one of the federal officers of the Guaymas garrison, who surrendered recently to the insurgent outposts, was placed on trial here today before a courtmartial charged with an attempt to induce constitutionalist officers to desert to the federals.

LEEDS, England, Dec. 23.—Sixty prominent men comprising doctors and lawyers, clergymen and merchants acted as street sweepers here today and gave a practical demonstration of the determination of the citizens of Leeds not to yield to employes of the municipal services who are on strike because the city would not grant what it considered the men's unreasonable demands.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A special White House reception in compliment to New Jersey will be given by the president and Mrs. Wilson on Friday, Feb. 13.

DEDHAM, Dec. 23.—Public bequests totaling $137,000 are contained in the will of the late Seth Sweetsir of Brookline, filed for probate today. Institutions and societies in Boston are the principal beneficiaries.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 23.—The bodies of Robert Gallatin of York, Pa., and Louis Wakefield of Shelbyville, Ky., were found today imbedded in the mud on the edge of a small creek in the suburbs of Louisville, victims of an auto accident that occurred about 10.30 o'clock last night.

HUDSON FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 23.—A motion to instruct the jury to acquit Cornelius Collins, former state superintendent of prisons, and Michael Fitzgerald, a Troy contractor, on trial for defrauding the state in connection with prison building contracts, was denied today and Collins took the stand for the defense.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 23—Arraigned in police court this afternoon on the charge of intoxication, Otto Lintz, 60, pleaded with the court to permit him to spend Christmas a free man. Lintz said he had spent every Christmas day for the past 38 years either in Auburn or Sing Sing prisons or county jails. This year he had three separate invitations from friends, he said, and he wanted a chance to see how it felt to spend Christmas day outside of jail. Judge Chase gave Lintz the chance.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—American arms and ammunition for Huerta denied direct exportation to Mexico are being shipped from the United States to Hamburg, Germany, and re-shipped to Mexico. This became known to officials here today when it was found that a large shipment recently had been made by that route.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The delegates to the international conference on safety at sea separated today for the holidays, the American wireless experts going on a visit to various European stations and the American naval architects on a tour of the shipyards of England.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—All the banks in the federal capital opened their doors today in accordance with the agreement made with the clearing house last night. Only limited amounts were paid out by the bank of London and Mexico to the many depositors who applied.

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OUR CANDIES are pure—that alone is why they are worthy of your attention. They are fresh—which makes them taste better. We are as proud of our GOOD Candies as we are of our PURE Drugs, and we want you to know them.

Special packages for Christmas.

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EMPLOYED BOYS vs. WAKEFIELD

ADMISSION, 15 CENTS

TONIGHT

BASKETBALL GAME

Y. M. C. I. vs. South Ends

Y. M. C. I. HALL

ADMISSION, 15c

CLEMENTS REAPPOINTED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Judson C. Clements of Georgia was reappointed by President Wilson a member of the interstate commerce commission and his nomination was hurried to the senate.

Brownies with Miner's, Xmas eve.

HELD FOR SUPERIOR COURT

William Sweeney was arraigned in police court this afternoon, charged with a statutory offence. The complainant was Lena Levasseur, aged 15 years. After hearing all the evidence, Judge Enright ordered the defendant held in the sum of $1000 for his appearance in superior court at the next sitting.

WARNING!

In previous years instances have occurred in the nature of depredations at the Lowell Cemetery at Christmas season. Trees have been cut and stolen, presumably for Christmas use. There is a severe and well defined penalty for misdemeanor of this kind. All persons are warned against commitment of such acts. Be assured, all that corporation will protect its property. The line of spruce trees on Lawrence street, opposite the cemetery are cemetery property on cemetery land.

Proprietors of the Lowell Cemetery,
CHARLES L. KNAPP,
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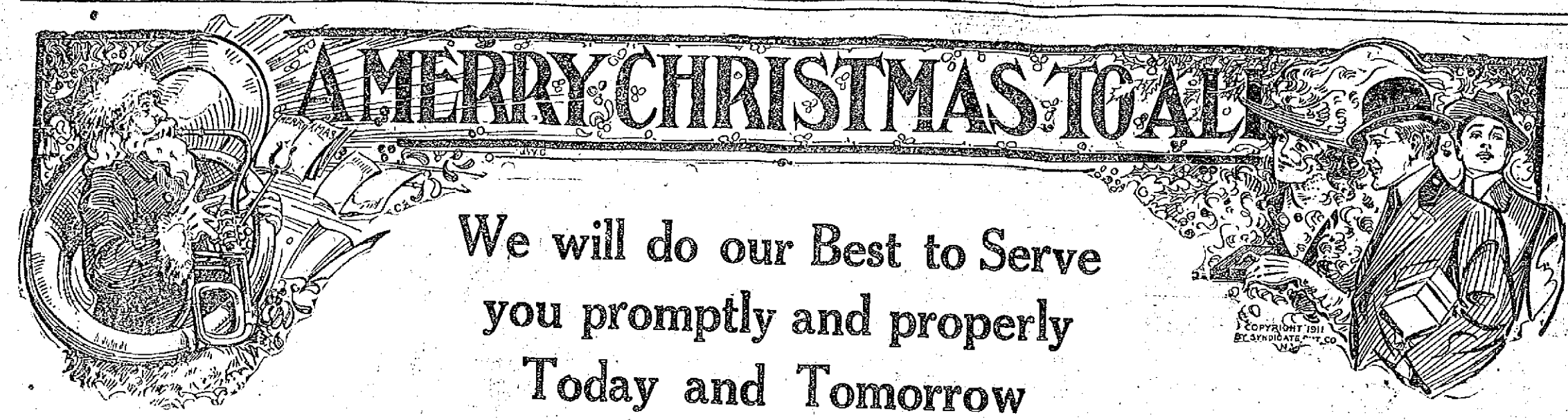
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ATTENTION, SMOKE INSPECTOR RILEY!

N. Y. Company Perfects Apparatus Which Eliminates Smoke and Cinder Nuisance

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—After nearly three years of experimentation a local manufacturing company has perfected, it is claimed, an apparatus which practically eliminates the smoke and cinder nuisance. The apparatus, known as a wet cleaner, is simple in construction and operation. The smoke coming from the fires which heat huge boilers laden with cinders is driven at high speed through a sheet of water. By this process, practically all of the material which constituted a nuisance is deposited in a big water tank. The water cleaning apparatus has been attached to 71 of the boilers in the manufacturing plant here and it is estimated that the equipment reduces the amount of material discharged by the boilers by 75 per cent.

The Bon Marche Dry Goods Co.



We will do our Best to Serve you promptly and properly Today and Tomorrow

RUN OVER BY ROAD ROLLER

Sad Death of Flagman Overcome by Long Walk From Lowell to Lynn—Not Employed Here

LYNN, Dec. 23—After an 18-hour-long walk from Lowell to Lynn as flagman in advance of a slow-moving steam-roller, an unidentified Italian known only by the number on his pay check, fell from exhaustion in Market square, Lynn, when within a few yards of his destination yesterday afternoon and was crushed to death under the machine before it could be stopped.

The steam roller had completed the work on a contract in Lowell Sunday night and set out for another in Lynn. It was driven by Charles Mills of Meredith, N. H., and the nameless Italian trudged along ahead with a warning red flag.

As the machine lumbered on through the night the Italian to judge by his gestures to Mills, grew increasingly tired and by noon yesterday showed the effects of the tantalizingly slow pace. He staggered slightly as he walked through the streets of Lynn, but the engineer had no doubt he could finish the trip.

Then, in view of scores of people in Market square, the man suddenly collapsed and a cry went up as the heavy front roller of the machine passed over his body. He was so short a distance in front of the roller that Mills could not set the brake and check the machine.

The police arrested Mills on a charge of manslaughter. Both he and the victim were employed by Michael McDonough, a contractor.

NOT EMPLOYED IN LOWELL

It is believed that the contractor was employed on the state highway as no outside contractor has done any work of the kind for the city of Lowell.

Spend Christmas eve at Associate.

HE DEMANDS DISCIPLINE

Pres. Tener Says Only Person Who Can Preserve Order on Ball Field is Umpire

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Strict discipline on the baseball field is one of the things President John K. Tener of the National league will demand of his umpires, according to his secretary, David Leroy Reeves, with whom he has discussed the umpire problem.

The only person who can preserve order on the ball field is the umpire President Tener said and he added by way of emphasis that in matters of discretion and judgment where the umpire is not specifically guided by rule he should be supreme.

President Tener's idea of what the ideal arbiter should be was expressed as follows:

"I do not wish to be understood as meaning that an umpire should be a law unto himself; that his manner should be dictatorial, his attitude arrogant and his entire demeanor wear a self satisfied expression that would brook no argument. On the contrary I believe an umpire would be conciliatory but firm; positive but polite; quick but undemonstrative; strict but reasonable."

Regarding the disciplining of players the new president said that he was opposed to the general practice employed in meting out punishment to players for offenses committed on the field.

Gave All a Chance

He said:

"One of the cardinal principles of justice is that every man should have an opportunity to be heard, to present his side of the case. If a player is guilty of the charges submitted by the umpire and has no equitable or reasonable defence, the ends of justice and the morale of discipline can be served just as well by suspending the player three or four days after the violation has occurred and all the evidence has been made and investigated as by an immediate suspension following the report of the arbitrators.

"To my mind the club owner is the one who really suffers the most by a player's suspension. The player's absence weakens the team and in the end the clubowner is the real sufferer.

"There is no reason why such cases should not be considered in the most lenient attitude possible and by all means obtain the facts in the case from both sides before the player is punished by suspension."

BIG SONG SERVICE

Washington Officials to Sing Out Old Year and Sing in New

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A big song service attended by the high officials of the government at which the old year will be sung out and the new year in, is to be held at the south end of the treasury department. The service is to be under the auspices of the local Christian Endeavor union. Officials expected to attend include Secretaries Garrison, Daniels and McAdoo; Speaker Clark, Senator Borah and Representatives Lloyd and Hobson. Services will be featured by brief megaphone addresses by members of the cabinet and the senate and house. A special choir of 1000 voices has been arranged for.

Miner's latest, Asso., Xmas eve.

Y. M. C. A. VICTORY

Continued

executive committee has shown great interest in the association, the building and the present campaign. Mr. Russell said he was in no mood for a speech—he was too happy.

Cheers for Mr. Pollard

At this point, A. G. Pollard was seen making for the door, and although strong efforts were made to hold him, he was finally allowed to go in the realization of the already large amount of time he had taken from his business to devote to the cause, at his busy season. He was given three rousing cheers, however.

Deacon A. D. Carter

Deacon A. D. Carter said that under no circumstances would the committee have left the building last night without having the debt cleared up. Mr. Carter contributed heavily at the first of the campaign, but he declared that he came to yesterday's meeting prepared to help out again if necessary.

Mr. A. G. Cumnock expressed his pleasure at having had a part in the good work so grandly accomplished. Mr. Cumnock told of the many brickbats thrown at the men in charge, but, he declared, "every dollar spent in the building is right in the building and not a dollar missing." He urged a concerted effort by the man present to increase the membership of the association, that it should be put on a self-supporting basis. Later he made a motion that the men assembled, meet again in 12 months to observe the final discharge of all indebtedness. It was voted at once.

President Bowen Pleased

President F. A. Bowen expressed his heartfelt thanks for the work accomplished. At first, he admitted, the load to him seemed staggering and he could see nothing but years of burden ahead. But the campaign had relieved that and now he felt that the trial had been a blessing in disguise; that the association had benefited not only to the extent of the sum raised, but in moral influence in the community. He offered the thanks of the association to Messrs. Dunbar and Rogers for the legal services which had been given the committee without cost.

"Thank God and Press On" would now be the watchword, said Mr. Bowen.

Mr. Bowen here stated that one of his subscriptions, reported late, was from Arthur G. Cumnock, son of Agent Cumnock, who sent $100 from New York.

Thanks to Women's Auxiliary

Mrs. G. M. Randall, Miss Grace Ward, Mrs. W. H. Hoyt and Mrs. D. E. Yarnell were extended the thanks and appreciation of the body for their work during the campaign, as was every individual member of the Women's Auxiliary.

Frank E. Dunbar said that the result of the campaign was an expression of loyalty on the part of the citizens of Lowell to a worthy cause when presented to them in the right way.

Dr. Yarnell paid tribute to the office force associated with him in the general work of the Y. M. C. A., and declared that every one was happy to feel that he had done more than salary called for.

Franklin Nourse said he was too happy to think of anything but the salutation of "Tiny Tim" in Dickens "Christmas Carol," "God bless everybody."

M. C. Williams, leader of the campaign, expressed his thanks that he was permitted to become comrade to the men of Lowell in the fight.

Mr. Flather was called upon, but he first announced the auditing committee which had been selected to look over the pledges, as follows: John F. Sawyer, Austin K. Chadwick and Charles L. Knapp.

Mr. Flather, in closing the meeting, refused to make a speech, confining his remarks to quoting from Lincoln's second inaugural address, "With malice toward none, but charity for all," as being a phrase especially appropriate for the ending of the Y. M. C. A. campaign for $75,000.

Capt. William P. White spoke about the campaign and association work.

Y. M. C. A. Extends Thanks

As members of the campaign organization of the Lowell Young Men's Christian association, we desire to record our profound gratitude to God for his favor and blessing, and also to express our special thanks to the following:

To the people, one and all, who have made this victory possible through their generosity;

To the pastors of the churches for public endorsement and cooperation and to all who assisted in public presentation of the association's needs;

To the press of the city for generous space and direct endorsement;

To Mr. B. F. Keith, through his Lowell agent, Mr. Frank Sherwood, for placing the campaign clock on the Runels building;

To the Bay State Street Railway Co. for placing the campaign appeal on its cars and to all business houses and corporations that accepted the boxes and subscription sheets and to all others who aided in carrying forward the enterprise;

To Mayor O'Donnell, to Hon. John L. Bates and all others for helpful messages at the opening dinner and at the campaign luncheons;

To Mr. M. C. Williams, the efficient campaign director, with his tried out plans and his unfailing optimism;

To the executive committee of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and its secretaries, Edward W. Hearne and Alfred O. Booth, for unfailing help through many months of preparation, as well as in the campaign;

To the officers and members of the Women's Auxiliary to the Lowell Young Men's Christian Association, for rare and unselfish devotion in serving the dinner and luncheons for the campaign, as well as for their generous subscription;

To Cushman's orchestra, which has furnished inspiring music for the luncheons and meetings.

In addition to his faithful work in these strenuous campaign days, one member in particular, of the executive committee, devoted unselfish service as a volunteer superintendent throughout the entire period of the construction of this magnificent building. In recognition of his rare devotion to the needs of this association throughout these years, I move a vote of thanks to Mr. Franklin Nourse.

To A. G. Cumnock, whose indomitable courage and persistence accomplished so much for the success of this campaign.

Voted, that our cordial thanks and appreciation be extended to the man whose leadership and inspiration contributed so largely to the success of the campaign of 1913; who, again, in the construction of the building, bore a leading part, giving unstintedly of his time and strength to the work, toiling faithfully through storm and sunshine, through good report and evil report, meeting and surmounting difficulties little realized by the community, conscious of criticism but sure of the approval at least of his own conscience and never faltering until his arduous mission was completed, and who once more has responded to the call of those glad to follow him, giving, as always, service and resources beyond reasonable expectation in a task formidable to contemplate and all the more glorious in its successful achievement.

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Silk Shirt Special, boxed for holiday trade. New patterns, wonderful material. Price $3.00

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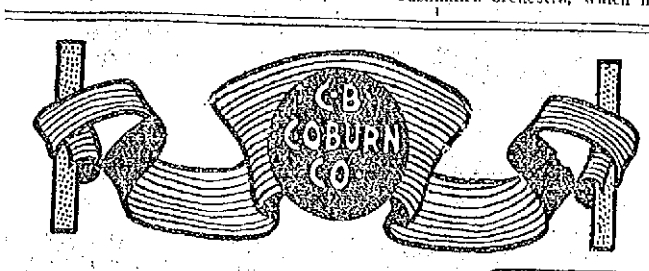
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Spiral Candles in assorted colors, 4 1-2 inches long, 24 to a box, 10c
Spiral Candles in assorted colors, 3 1-2 inches long, 36 to a box, 10c
Gold Ball Tree Candle Holders.....doz. 15c
Tack Holders for Tree Candles.....doz. 5c

TO MAKE THE TREE SPARKLE

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Silk Neckwear in the narrow fold or the fashionable full flowing end shapes—in plain shades, and rich designs of foreign and domestic silks. 35c, 50c, 65c, $1, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50

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Silk Neckwear, Hose and Handkerchief, $1.00, $1.50

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N. Y. BROKER ARRESTED

EDWARDS ACCUSED IN CONNECTION WITH STERLING DEBENTURE CO. SUIT

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—William E. Edwards, junior member of a Broadway brokerage firm, was arrested yesterday in connection with the federal suit pending against officers of the Sterling Debenture company and the Oxford Linen Mills company, who are accused of using the mails in an alleged conspiracy to defraud investors of the Oxford company, which has mills at Brookfield, Mass. Edwards was once treasurer of the Sterling company. He furnished bail of $4000 before United States Judge Hunt and was released.

Edwards was taken into custody after an indictment had been returned, designed to include him, superseding the original true bill brought a year ago against George H. Middlebrook, president of the Sterling company; Benjamin C. Mudge, an inventor; Frank W. Winchell, president of the Oxford company, and five others. The superseding indictment alleges that the defendants, through fraudulent representations, disposed of stock of the Oxford company and subsidiaries to the amount of $1,500,000. Edwards, according to the indictment, left the Sterling company, a stock selling concern and became a member of a brokerage firm, in order to buy and boom the Oxford stock.

The trial of this case, it was announced yesterday, will be begun next Monday.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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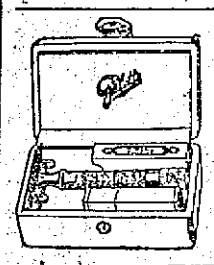
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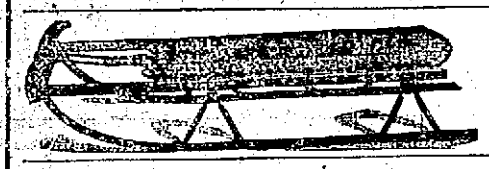


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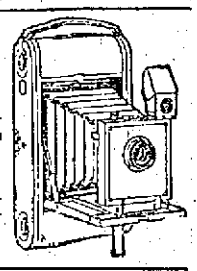


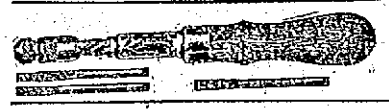
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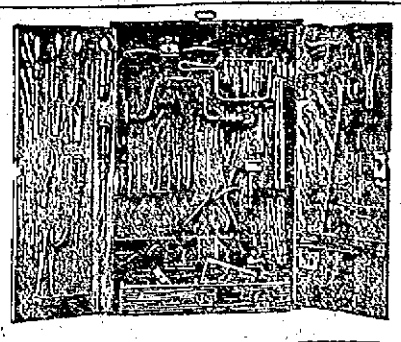
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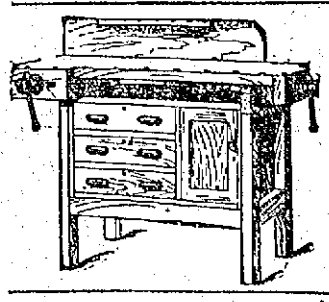
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WELLESLEY'S PRETTIEST GIRL ALSO PUTS BAN ON SLIT SKIRTS AND DOUBTS SUFFRAGE VALUE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The prettiest girl in Wellesley does not believe in slit skirts, suffragettes, the tango, the turkey trot or "chocolate munching matinee girls."

The prettiest girl, also known as Miss Maude O. Mineham, said all this yesterday at her home, 500 West One Hundred and Twenty-first street, just after she got home from a Christmas shopping tour.

"Really, I'm not the prettiest girl in Wellesley," she said, while her flashing gold-brown eyes and her tumbled chestnut hair belied her words. "There are a dozen girls more attractive than I am.

"The Wellesley girls are different from lots of others," she went on. "The girls here in New York seem to have gone crazy. We don't tango or turkey trot. What's the sense in waddling around in a turkey trot when you can enjoy a waltz?"

"Do you approve of the slit skirt?"

"I don't like it because it's ugly," she said, briskly. "It isn't a question of the moral of the thing—it's positively ugly. The new draped skirts are graceful, but those other things are horrible."

"How about woman suffrage?"

"Well, maybe the women who pay big taxes ought to vote. But it doesn't interest me very much. What right have a lot of chocolate-munching matinee girls got to vote? What do they know about it?"

SEVERAL EXAMINATIONS

TO BE HELD JANUARY 7 BY THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IN LOWELL

The following civil service examinations will be held on January 7 in this city:

Anatomist, (male), to fill vacancy in the Army Medical Museum, office of the surgeon general, salary, $1600 per annum.

Laboratory assistant in physics, (male), to fill vacancies in the bureau of mines, salary, $900 to $1200 per annum.

Seed warehouseman, (male), to fill vacancy in the bureau of plant industry, department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., salary, $1200 to $1600 per annum.

Sanitary bacteriologist, (male), to fill several vacancies in the public health service for duty in the hygienic laboratory, Washington, D. C., salary $1500 per annum.

THIRD HUSBAND KILLS SECOND

Los Angeles Man Says Slaying of Boer War Vet Was Self Defence

Victim Was Shot On the Visit to Former Wife and Children

LOS ANGELES, Calif, Dec. 23.—The killing of Daniel De Villiers by Roy L. Glover yesterday is puzzling the police. Glover shot De Villiers in the doorway of the Glover house.

De Villiers came here several days ago from San Antonio, Tex. Glover, a wealthy land agent, came here two months ago with his wife and two children. From the little the police have been able to learn from Glover and Mrs. Glover, the woman formerly was the wife of De Villiers and he was the father of the two children. Mrs. Glover secured a divorce from De Villiers and married Glover in October. She and Glover asserted that De Villiers appeared at their house and that Glover shot him in self defense.

The police assert that De Villiers was shot while trying to see Mrs. Glover and that his children entered the room in time to see their father die.

Mrs. Glover said De Villiers was a saloon keeper, who induced her to elope from the home of her father and marry him. Thereafter she asserted, according to a statement by her attorney, De Villiers lived on an allowance provided by her father, H. G. Campbell, a New York broker, who is now in Europe.

The police have learned that when Mrs. Glover was divorced from De Villiers she was awarded custody of the children, David, aged 4 and Margaret, aged 6, but no information could be obtained relative to her marriage to Glover, which she said occurred last October just before Glover came here.

WOMAN IN CASE DAUGHTER OF N. Y. BROKER AND WAS THRICE MARRIED

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Roy L. Glover, divorced wife of Daniel de Villiers, whom de Villiers was trying to see when her husband shot and killed him in Los Angeles yesterday, is the daughter of H. G. Campbell, a wealthy Wall street broker. She married de Villiers in this city in 1907 after her divorce from a man named Lewis of Paterson, N. J.

The de Villiers then went to Cotulla, Tex., where de Villiers had bought a small ranch. Mrs. de Villiers obtained a divorce from her husband in San Antonio in 1911. It is said, however, that after this divorce Mr. de Villiers assisted her former husband financially in his alleged activities against President Madero of Mexico, which led to de Villiers' arrest in El Paso.

Daniel de Villiers came of a Cape Colony family, several members of which have been knighted. During the Boer war he commanded scouts attached to a Boer column operating in West Griqualand and the Orange Free state. He came to this country in 1904 with a contingent of Afrikanders and English who appeared in the Boer war show at the St. Louis exposition. Most of his youth was spent along the Zambesi river as a hunter of big game, where at one time he was attached to the staff of Frederick Courtney Selous, the famous hunter, who was a member of Theodore Roosevelt's hunting party in Africa in 1909. In 1912 de Villiers was identified with the campaign of Gov. Oscar Colquitt of Texas.



BURIAL OF FRANK RAND

FORMER RESIDENT AND RECENTLY OFFICIAL OF INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

The remains of Frank H. Rand, a former resident of this city, and one who was favorably known all over the state, were tenderly consigned to their last resting place yesterday afternoon, in the Lowell cemetery.

Deceased had been bursar and assistant treasurer of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for several years, and his departure will be deeply felt by both the officials and students of this institution. His funeral took place yesterday afternoon from his home, 1374 Beacon street, Boston, and the cortege proceeded to this city, where funeral service was conducted in the chapel of the Lowell cemetery by Rev. C. A. Lincoln.

The attendance was very large, for many friends and relatives of deceased wished to pay him a last tribute by reciting a last prayer at the grave. Another mark of the popularity of deceased was the many floral offerings placed on the grave.

The bearers were representatives of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, with which Mr. Rand was so long connected. Burial was in the family lot, in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

RESIDENTS OF DRACUT

HELD SPECIAL MEETING AT GRANGE HALL TO REPLENISH THE TREASURY

The residents of Dracut met in special meeting last night at Grange hall in the Centre for the purpose of making transfers from the general treasury fund to other departments, where appropriations had become depleted.

The meeting was largely attended and George H. Stevens was chosen moderator, and after opening the meeting he read the warrant. Chairman Garland enumerated the several departments requiring additional appropriations and stated that the estimated amount of depletion was $3,000, and the departments mentioned as being short were charities, election and registration, lighting inspection of meats, police and tax collecting.

The charity department was given $1000; the contagious disease fund was voted $360; election and registration department, $200; street lighting department, $453.82; inspection of meats department, $300; police department, $98; tax collector's department, $500.

Chairman H. Linscott of the school committee stated that certain expected revenues to previous school appropriations had been cut off this year and consequently the present year's school appropriation had been shortened. The amount of shortage was estimated by the chairman at $1091, and this amount was voted transferred to meet the depletion.

PITCHER DICKSON RELEASED

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Walter R. Dickson of Greenville, Tex., pitcher of the Boston Nationals for the past two years, was released yesterday to the Rochester team of the International league. The Boston team has 17 pitching candidates left.

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CURRENCY BILL REMODELS BANKING

One of the Most Far-Reaching Measures Relating to Finance That Has Been Enacted in Many Years

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The new bill affecting the currency, banking and finances of the country, which has now been passed by both branches of congress and goes before President Wilson for his signature, is one of the most far-reaching measures relating to finance that has been enacted in many years. The magnitude of the subject, the diversity of interests affected, and the length of the debates in both branches of congress, has made it difficult for the ordinary observer to follow the changes and grasp the essentials of this highly technical measure in its important bearings on money, finance, banking and the entire range of fiscal subjects, public and private, which it affects. With a view, therefore, of presenting succinctly and in non-technical language, an epitome of the salient features of the measure as finally framed, the following summary is given of the bill as a whole and of its principal details.

Generally speaking, the first steps to be taken to bring into operation the nation's new financial system will be through an organization committee of three members to be named soon by President Wilson. Banks have 60 days within which to file their applications for membership in the new system; and one year's time is allowed before the government will compel the dissolution of any national bank that refuses to join.

New Federal Currency

The new law will make little direct change in the operation of the present national banks, except to allow them to loan a certain amount of their funds upon farm mortgages. Its chief purpose is to add a new piece of machinery to the banking system that will "take up the slack" during the changing business conditions of each year; that will give the banks a place to quickly convert their assets into cash in time of need, and that will bring out new federal currency when it is needed, and retire it when money becomes "cheap."

Banks are now required to keep a certain percentage of their deposits as "reserves," part in cash in their own vaults and part of which may be redeposited in the banks of New York, Chicago, St. Louis and other designated cities. In times of sudden financial demands, when banks have loaned up to the full limit of their resources, these reserves furnish little relief, because if they are paid out to meet demands, the banks are left in a precarious condition.

The basic principle of the new law is to get these reserve funds out into circulation when necessary, without lessening the safety of any bank; and to provide a place to which local banks may rush in a crisis and get cash for the "prize commercial paper" they hold in their vaults.

Regional Reserve Banks

This is to be accomplished through a chain of regional reserve banks, or "reservoirs of reserves," in which all banks shall deposit a stated part of the money they are required to hold as reserves. Under the new system, when a financial flurry comes, the banks can take commercial paper, such as notes, drafts and bills of exchange, to these "reservoirs," and secure the use of their own reserves, or if necessary even the reserve of other banks, by depositing this security.

The new regional banks will receive about one-half of the bank reserves of the country. They, in turn, will be permitted to loan back to the banks all but 35 per cent. of these reserves, so that in case of emergency, millions of cash can be brought out into circulation quickly. The banks will have to pay for these loans, however, as individuals have to pay for a loan from any local bank; and this charge is expected to prevent the too free use of the reserves held by the regional banks.

A new form of paper currency is also provided for, to come out in case of emergency, and which is expected to go back into the hands of the government when times are normal. These "treasury notes" will be printed by the government, and issued through each regional reserve bank, and will bear the guarantee both of the regional bank and the government.

If the demand for currency in any section of the country exceeds the supply of circulating money, a Regional bank can secure this new money from the government and put it into circulation; but a gold reserve of 40 per cent., and commercial paper equal to the full value of the note, must be held as a reserve behind each note so issued. This provision is expected to be the influence that will drive the new money back into retirement when it is no longer needed.

Details of New Law

The following analysis presents the details of the new law without adhering closely to the technical division or language of the measure.

At the head of the system will stand a federal reserve board at Washington, appointed by the president, and to consist of the secretary of the treasury and six other members. Two of these shall be expert bankers, but none shall have banking affiliations or own bank stock during their service. This board will exercise general control over the entire system.

The temporary "organization committee," or the federal reserve board, will select from eight to twelve cities where regional reserve banks shall be located, and will divide the entire country geographicaly with these cities as the centers of districts. All National banks in a district will be required to subscribe for the stock of the regional reserve bank in that district, and to keep a portion of their reserves there.

Local banks will be known as "member-banks," because they will own the stock of the regional reserve bank of their district. Each member-bank will be required to take capital stock of the regional reserve bank, equal to 6 per cent. of the member bank's capital and surplus. The capital of the regional bank will increase or decrease so that it always represents 6 per cent. of the combined capital and surplus of all the banks of the district that have joined the system.

National Examinations

National banks are compelled to join, and state banks are permitted to if they bring their reserve requirements up to the standard set for national banks, and submit to national examinations.

Public ownership of the stock of the regional reserve banks is permitted only in case enough banks do not join in any district to provide a capital stock of $3,000,000. In such event the public may purchase the stock in quantities limited to $10,000 for each individual; but the voting of this stock will be placed in the hands of government's representatives on the board of directors of the regional reserve bank.

The regional reserve banks may do business only with their member-banks, not with the public, except that certain "open-market operations" such as the purchase and sale of gold, government or municipal bonds, and certain forms of bills of exchange, are permitted. These banks will make their earnings from the loans made to member banks, and from the purchase and sale of bonds and foreign and domestic bills of exchange.

Member-banks will be compelled to put up in cash only one-half of their subscription to the capital of the new banks; the rest can be called for if needed by the Regional bank. Dividends of 6 per cent. will be paid on this stock to the member-banks, and the stock will be non-taxable. After these dividends are paid, one-half of the surplus net earnings goes to create a regional surplus fund, and when this has reached 40 per cent. of the regional bank's paid-in capital, these earnings are to go into the United States treasury. The balance of the net earnings are to be divided between the payment of a United States franchise tax, and the creation of a fund to guarantee the payment of depositors in member-banks that may fail.



Secretary McADOO
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Secretary of the Treasury William G. McAdoo becomes one of the most powerful men in the financial world through the provisions of the new currency act, which makes him virtually the chairman of the federal reserve board. This board will have absolute control of the national banks of the country. It consists of seven members, all but two of whom are appointed by the president.

Two Years to Make Shifts

With the machinery thus created for a new banking system that is supplementary to the commercial banks of the country, the law provides for a gradual transfer of part of the bank reserves to these new "reservoir" banks. In order not to disturb business conditions, or to withdraw too suddenly the heavy deposits of country banks in the large cities, the law provides that two years may be consumed in shifting these balances, and that if necessary, part of the reserves transferred to the regional banks may consist of commercial paper.

The amount of reserve required from every bank under the new law, and the place where it must be kept, are as follows:

Country banks: Total reserve required, 12 per cent. of demand deposits and five per cent. of time deposits. Four-twelfths must be held in the bank's own vaults; two-twelfths in the regional reserve bank for the first six months increasing one-twelfth each six months until it reaches five-twelfths. After two years the remaining three-twelfths of the reserve, must be kept either in the country bank's vaults, or in the regional reserve bank.

Reserve City Banks

Reserve city banks: Total reserve required, 15 per cent. of demand, and five per cent. of time deposits. Six-fifteenths must be kept in the bank's own vaults; three fifteenths in the regional reserve bank for the first six months, increasing one one-fifteenth each six months until it reaches six fifteenths. After two years, the remaining three-fifteenths of the reserve must be kept either in the bank's own vaults or in the regional reserve bank.

Central reserve city banks (New York, Chicago and St. Louis:) Total reserve required, 18 per cent. of demand, and five per cent. of time deposits. Six-eighteenths must be kept in the bank's own vaults; three-eighteenths in the Regional Reserve bank for the first six months, and six-eighteenths thereafter. After six months the remaining six-eighteenths may be kept in the bank's own vaults, or in the Regional Reserve bank.

These immense funds of reserves from "member-banks," together with government moneys, will make up the deposits of the Regional Reserve banks. Each of these banks will be administered by a board of nine directors, six of whom will be elected by the banks, and three appointed by the federal reserve board.

The Regional Reserve banks may rediscount—that is, buy at a discount from its member banks—"prime commercial paper," when the member-banks desire to convert these assets into money. The exact terms of this important provision as to the character of paper upon which the Regional Reserve banks may furnish cash are as follows:

Commercial Transactions

"Upon the indorsement of any of its member banks, with a waiver of demand notice and protest by such bank, any Federal (Regional) Reserve bank may discount notes, drafts and bills of exchange arising out of actual commercial transactions; that is, notes, drafts, and bills of exchange issued or drawn for agricultural, industrial or commercial purposes, or the proceeds of which have been used, or are to be used, for such purposes the Federal Reserve board to have the right to determine or define the character of the paper thus eligible for discount, within the meaning of this act.

"Nothing in this act contained shall be construed, to prohibit such notes, drafts and bills of exchange, secured by staple agricultural products, or other goods, wares or merchandise from being eligible for such discount; but such definition shall not include notes, drafts or bills covering merely investments or issued or drawn for the purpose of carrying or trading in stocks, bonds or other investment securities, except bonds and notes of the government of the United States.

"Notes, drafts and bills admitted to discount under the terms of this paragraph must have a maturity at the time of discount of not more than 90 days: Provided, that notes, drafts and bills drawn or issued for agricultural purposes or based on live stock and having a maturity not exceeding six months, may be discounted in an amount to be limited to a percentage of the capital of the Federal (Regional) Reserve bank, to be ascertained and fixed by the federal reserve board."

Discounts by Regional Banks

The Regional banks may also discount "acceptances based on the importation or exportation or domestic shipments of goods."

The new treasury notes, which are to furnish the "elastic" element in the currency system, and to add to the country's circulating money in time of need, will come into use in the following way:

The notes will be printed by the government, with a distinctive style for each Regional Reserve bank. One of the three directors named by the federal reserve board for each Regional bank will be known as the "Federal Reserve Agent" for that bank, and a supply of the notes will be placed in his custody.

Should a Regional bank desire to pay out more money than its cash resources will permit, the law provides that it may put some of its rediscounted commercial paper into the hands of the "Federal Reserve Agent," and receive in return the new treasury notes. For each note that it puts out into circulation, the Regional Reserva bank must set aside in gold 40 per cent of the value of the note, as a guarantee for its redemption. This gold, with the commercial paper held by the "Federal Reserve Agent," is the protection behind the new money, but these notes will also be guaranteed by the government, and may be redeemed in gold at the United States treasury.

Must Keep 30 Per Cent Reserve

Each Regional bank, under the act, must keep a reserve of 35 per cent of the deposits it has received, besides the 40 per cent gold reserve behind the treasury notes it issues. If the gold reserve behind the notes falls below 40 per cent, a heavy tax is imposed on the bank, which in turn adds the tax to the rate it charges member banks for rediscounts. This was designed to stop an over-expansion of currency. In times of sudden stress, the federal reserve board can suspend these reserve provisions, in order to furnish quick relief to any community.

One Regional bank cannot again pay out the notes of another, except under a heavy tax. These notes are expected to return to the Regional banks and be withdrawn from circulation when the need for their use passes.

None of the existing forms of paper currency will be disturbed by the new law. Provision is made, however, that the government two per cent bonds upon which national banks now secure the issue of their "bank notes," may be purchased by the government at par, through the Regional banks. This provision is expected to result in the gradual retirement of most of the national bank currency.

The federal reserve board will exercise final control over the entire operation of the system. It can compel one regional bank to loan to another in time of need; can authorize banks to use the treasury notes or even national bank notes as part of their legal reserves; can suspend all restrictions surrounding the reserves which Regional banks must hold; and can remove directors of Regional Reserve banks whenever it is believed necessary.

While the banks retain control of the boards of the Regional Reserve banks, their connection with the federal reserve board is only through an advisory council, made up of one representative from each federal reserve district. This council will meet in Washington, to confer with the federal reserve board "on general business conditions," and to make recommendations and suggestions concerning discount rates, note issues and reserve conditions.

An important change in national banking methods, embraced in the new law, will permit all national banks except those in New York, Chicago and St. Louis, to make direct loans on five-year farm mortgages, up to 25 per cent of their capital and surplus, or up to one-third of their time deposits. Another provision in the law permits national banks having a capital of $1,000,000 or more, to open foreign branches. Similar authority is given to the Regional Reserve banks, the purpose being to facilitate the development of American trade abroad.

"OLD GRIST MILL" BURNED

BURLINGTON, Vt., Dec. 23.—The "Old grist mill," built nearly a century ago, was burned last night. A loss estimated at $40,000 was caused by fire and water. The plants of the Perfection Flouring Company, Perfection Overgaiter company and Burlington Traction company were damaged.

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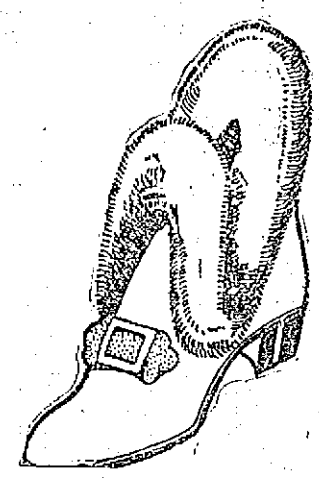
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LIVELY HEARING ON THE HOSPITAL SITE

There was a lively hearing on the proposed purchase of the Pillsbury site for a contagious hospital, before the municipal council at its meeting today.

The session opened about 11 o'clock, and the hearing was opened without delay, His Honor, the mayor, reading the statute under which the city is obliged to build a hospital. He then called upon the remonstrants.

Lawyer Albert S. Howard appeared for himself and other residents of Andover street and made an elaborate argument against the site as unsuitable, damp and exposed to fogs.

Frank E. Dunbar appeared in favor and answered many of the arguments offered by the remonstrants. Both speakers were plied with questions and altogether the hearing was one of the most interesting held at city hall this year.

Mayor O'Donnell called to order at 11.05. Alderman Donnelly was absent because of serious illness in his family.

Hearing on Hospital Site

The mayor waived the usual business of the day and took up the hearing on the contagious disease hospital. The mayor first read the act providing for the erection and maintenance of such a hospital—an act making it mandatory upon cities and towns to build and maintain them. He also called attention to the fact that the city council had received several notices from the state authorities requesting that the act be conformed to and he spoke of the article in a morning paper to the effect that the attorney-general was about to hale the city of Lowell into court.

Lawyer Howard's Argument

The mayor ruled that the remonstrants first be heard and that they tell just why they are opposed. Albert S. Howard appeared for the remonstrants and spoke in part, as follows:

May it please Your Honor and other members of the municipal council of the city of Lowell:

I appear here this morning at the request of many of the residents of Andover street and that vicinity as their paid attorney, as well as in my own behalf as a resident of Andover street, to "register" their protest and mine against the purchase by the city of the Pillsbury site for an isolation hospital. And at the outset, in order that no charge of insincerity may be brought against me or those whom I represent, I desire to state that, while I expect to lay before you certain cogent and unanswerable arguments to prove that the Pillsbury site should not be purchased by the city pursuant to the resolution now before you, I do not ask you to understand or believe that either my clients or myself are entirely disinterested in the result, for we all of us believe that the passage of this resolution would result in permanent and irreparable injury to all of us personally. Notwithstanding, however, our interest in this matter, because of the fact that we are all owners of homes on or about Andover street, we nevertheless expect to present to your honorable body this morning certain facts which we believe can not be controverted, and which, in our opinion, make the Pillsbury site absolutely and entirely unfitted for the kind of isolation hospital required by chapter 613 of the Acts of 1911 and the acts in amendment thereof.

Pursuant to your request, the state board of health did in fact examine the various sites offered to the city for purchase, and after carefully examining all these sites, reported to your honorable council that, in their opinion, the most desirable site for the purpose was the site in Pawtucketville on Mt. Hope street. They also reported their second choice to be the Hope property on Chelmsford street. I am informed by members of the state board of health that before they made their report to you they examined the Pillsbury site, and that they did not regard that site as particularly suited for a tuberculosis hospital. It is to be presumed that the members of the state board of health are above all most fitted to pronounce on the desirability or undesirability of any particular site for a tuberculosis hospital; and it is to be presumed, because of the report they made to you, that of all the sites offered to the city for purchase, the Pawtucketville site is the most desirable site that could be selected for the care and cure of tuberculosis patients. And it is also to be presumed, aside from any other evidence, because of their failure to recommend the Pittsbury site, that the Pittsbury site is not as well suited for the care and cure of tuberculosis patients as the Pawtucketville site and the Hope site on Chelmsford street.

It is a well known medical fact that the best and most efficient agent in the cure of pulmonary tuberculosis is pure, dry air and sunshine, and for this reason it is common to locate tuberculosis hospitals at moderately high altitudes. It is stated in the Encyclopedia Brittanica, under the Article tuberculosis: "The protection afforded by the altitude is alleged to be due to the dryness of the atmosphere, the freedom from impurities, and the increased solar radiation." Let us see whether in the Pillsbury site we have altitude, dryness of the atmosphere, freedom from atmospheric impurities, or sunshine.

In the first place, the Pillsbury site is located on the north slope of the south bank of the Merrimack river, at a point where the river is confined on both sides by more or less high banks. If you had passed along the new boulevard on the north side of the Merrimack river between Lawrence and Lowell, as I did last Sunday afternoon, as early as four o'clock, you would have noticed, as I did, a thick, damp mist or fog arising from the river; or, if you had stood, as I have on some high hill in southern New Hampshire on a summer evening and looked toward the Merrimack river valley, you would have seen, as I have, a line of fog following the thread of that river. It is a well known fact that fogs and mists arise with most frequency over rivers like the Merrimack, particularly where the river is confined between high banks as at the place where the Pillsbury house is located; and I have noticed on foggy mornings that the fog melts away on the heights of Andover street long before it disappears from the river below to the north. This estate is located in a valley and close to the river, so that it not only gets the fog, but holds it, particularly at night, so that certainly the Pillsbury site is not distinguished for the dryness of the atmosphere.

It is also to be noted that the Pillsbury house is located a short distance down the river from the mouth of the main sewer of the city of Lowell, a sewer that is constantly discharging into the Merrimack river the filth of a city of a hundred and ten thousand inhabitants, to say nothing of the filth that comes down the river from the cities of Nashua, Manchester and Concord. Is it reasonable to suppose that the mists and fogs that arise from that river at the Pillsbury place are not charged and permeated with these impurities? Certainly there is nothing about the Pillsbury estate to distinguish it for pureness of atmosphere.

It is also to be noted that the Pillsbury site is located on the northern slope of the south bank of the Merrimack river, so that it certainly cannot be distinguished for the amount of sunshine.

I am further informed that the Pillsbury place is provided neither with city sewer nor with city water, so that it would be necessary to install a sewer and a water system at considerable expense, unless you are to depend upon dry wells for drainage and wet wells for water consumption.

Assuming, however, that the Pillsbury site is a suitable site for the reception of tuberculosis patients, let us consider whether it is fit and proper that you should vote to purchase this site for the city of Lowell for the sum of twenty-one thousand dollars.

The Price Too High

In the first place, gentlemen, the price which you propose to pay for this site is utterly and entirely disproportionate to its true value. The Pillsbury estate contains approximately eleven acres, and you propose to pay twenty-one thousand dollars for that eleven acres with the building upon it, whereas that building, as I am informed by members of the state board of health, is in no wise suited for a hospital, and cannot be made suitable for a hospital. At most it could only be used as a dormitory for the doctors and nurses, or as a hospital headquarters. Ten years ago the Watson estate on Andover street, within a few hundred feet of the Pillsbury estate, and consisting of twenty acres, was sold for nine thousand dollars at public auction. This estate was located on Andover street, including the land where Mr. Boardman's house now stands, and ran back to the river, and it was in every respect, by reason of its superior location, of much greater value than the Pillsbury property and was sold at a time when real estate values in that neighborhood were much higher than they are now.

At least, gentlemen, before this property is purchased for twenty-one thousand dollars, the value should be passed upon by a committee of experts.

Cost of Suitable Hospital

Since your vote last Tuesday upon this resolution, I have been in consultation with two prominent members of the state board of health, and they inform me that, in a city of the size of Lowell a proper tuberculosis hospital should consist of one tuberculosis bed for every one thousand inhabitants, that is to say, in the city of Lowell there should be a tuberculosis hospital suited to the reception of not less than one hundred tuberculosis patients; and they further tell me that in the city of Lawrence, where they have a municipal tuberculosis hospital, there are 80 beds and there are at present 77 patients to occupy 77 of those 80 beds. They further tell me that they figure that to construct a proper tuberculosis hospital it is necessary to expend the sum of one thousand dollars for every tuberculosis bed provided for. One of them stated to me that at the lowest estimate it would cost the city of Lowell sixty thousand dollars to construct a proper municipal tuberculosis hospital, and that this sum must be expended in addition to the purchase price of the Pillsbury site, for the reason that the Pillsbury house could not be made suitable for the reception of tuberculosis patients, it being at most available, as I have already stated, as a dormitory for doctors and nurses, or as a hospital headquarters. If you purchase the Pillsbury site for twenty-one thousand dollars, it means that the city of Lowell will have to expend immediately not less than eighty-one thousand dollars to care for the tuberculosis patients alone. It means, gentlemen, that whatever you pay as part of the purchase price for the Pillsbury house is thrown away, or practically so, whereas, if vacant land belonging to the city were utilized for the building of a tuberculosis hospital, or vacant land suitable for that purpose were purchased elsewhere in the city, it would be possible, at much less expense, to construct a new building adapted particularly to the needs of a tuberculosis hospital.

If you heeded the remonstrance of Pawtucketville residents as to that site, it is only fair that you should heed the remonstrance of the residents of Andover street against the purchase of the Pillsbury site.

The residents of Andover street do not wish the contagious hospital located on the Pillsbury site. They are opposed to the purchase of the Pillsbury site for such a purpose, because they believe that it would depreciate the market value of their property, and to some extent at least endanger the health of people using the Andover street car line.

Gentlemen, it is not pleasant for the residents of Andover street to contemplate the probability that within a short time the unfortunate sufferers from tuberculosis will be riding to and fro on the street cars, rubbing elbows with their children—street cars that are always dusty and in winter over heated.

Why buy other land when the city already owns so much vacant real estate, particularly in view of the present deplorable financial condition of the city? Why is it not efasible to build this hospital upon the land belonging to the city on Chelmsford street where it was first planned to build this hospital and where, if a referendum were taken today, I have no doubt a large majority of the people of Lowell would vote to locate it?

Mayor O'Donnell took exception to Mr. Howard's use of the term "deplorable financial condition of the city of Lowell."

The word "deplorable," he said, was an exaggeration as applied to the city's financial condition.

Alderman Barrett called upon Mr. Howard for something to back up his statement about the "deplorable financial condition," and Mr. Howard didn't have anything specific to offer.

Alderman Brown asked Mr. Howard several questions about the Pillsbury site as compared with the land of the Chelmsford Street hospital. Mr. Howard said there was not as much fog on Hale's brook as on the Merrimack river.

Injunction Proceedings

Asked by Alderman Cummings if he intended to bring an injunction in the event of the municipal council voting to purchase the Pillsbury site, Mr. Howard said:

"I think it is very possible that injunction proceedings would ensue."

Ald. Cummings asked if the referendum would be used and he said it probably would.

Asked by Ald. Barrett to name the two members of the state board of health who said they did not think the Pillsbury estate a good site for a contagious hospital Mr. Howard answered, Dr. Simpson and Mr. Mills.

It was stated then that Dr. Simpson is not a member of the state board, but an inspector for the board. Mr. Howard said he had understood that Dr. Simpson was a member of the board.

Mr. Howard had spoken about a main sewer emptying into the river above the Pillsbury estate and Mr. Barrett asked what sewer was meant.

Mr. Howard replied that he understood a main sewer emptied there. Mr. Barrett said that "main sewer" was an exaggeration.

Mr. Barrett then took Mr. Howard to task for stating that $21,000 was an exorbitant price for the Pillsbury estate. He asked him if he knew any person offering land for sale in the vicinity of the Pillsbury estate for four cents a foot. Mr. Howard said he did not.

Mr. Howard said he had a very distinct recollection of Dr. Pillsbury stating that he was asking $18,000 for his property.

Mr. Howard Questioned

Mr. Howard said he considered the worst part of it would be the fact that the inmates of the hospital would communicate with people riding in street cars on the Andover street line.

Mayor O'Donnell asked Mr. Howard if it was a fact that he paid over $6500 for properly assessed for $4500 and Mr. Howard said it was a fact.

"Did you think you were being cheated?" asked the mayor.

"No, I did not," said Mr. Howard.

"Then it is not a very strong argument you offer that $21,000 is too much for the Pillsbury estate, because it is assessed for $18,100?"

Mr. Howard allowed that it was a strong argument in this case inasmuch as the building now on the prop-

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SLIGHT FIRE ON MARKET STREET

A blazing pile of papers in the cellar of the tailor shop at 365 Market street owned Ghiatas & Co. caused box 13 to be rung in this morning at 2.21 o'clock. The protective responded to the alarm and soon had the blaze extinguished. Smoke poured out of all the cellar windows but very little real damage was done by the flames. The building is owned by James F. Kelly.

$1,000,000 FOR CHRISTMAS

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 23.—Children of William Maverick, head of a family long prominent in Texas history, will have a reunion here Christmas day when Maverick will give to them more than $1,000,000 in income-bearing property. He will keep for himself, according to the announcement of friends, just enough to maintain him in comfortable circumstances for the remainder of his life. The children are scattered all over the world.

INDICATES COLLAPSE

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Daily News in an editorial on the Mexican situation, considers the suspension of cash payments by the banks as indicative of the approaching collapse of the Huerta regime and gives credit to President Wilson's "steadfast policy, for preventing Mexico from falling under the heel of another dangerous military despotism."

MISS EMERSON FREE

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Charges of assaulting and obstructing the police, brought against Miss Zelie Emerson of Jackson, Mich., in connection with a suffragette disturbance on Dec. 15 in the Bow street section of London, were dismissed today by the police magistrate.

Miss Emerson testified that she had not deliberately struck the policeman and smashed his helmet, although she said she might have done so accidentally.

Miss Mae Lyons, of 122 Seventh avenue, has just returned after a month's vacation with her sister, Mrs. James A. Clark of Boston.

COUCH BURIED

Funeral of Man Who Led Double Life With His Slave-like Companion

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Melvin H. Couch, former district attorney of Sullivan county, was quietly buried this afternoon, leaving behind him no written word to explain what will go down as the mystery of Monticello—his strange dual existence and associations with his slave-like companion, Adelaide Brance, who for three years was a virtual prisoner in his office.

From a cell in the jail where she was held on a technical charge, the woman saw the funeral procession pass on to the cemetery. She had expressed a wish to be at the graveside, but the lawyer's widow forbade it. Later this afternoon she was to be released.

"Then I am going to vanish," she said.

HANISH FREED

The Old Sentence Still Pending But New Charge Dismissed

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Ottoman Zar Adusht Hanish, high priest of the Mazdaznan sun worshippers cult whose chief temple is in Lowell, Mass., now under sentence to pay $2500 fine and serve six months in the workhouse for sending objectionable literature by express, was freed today of a serious charge brought against him in the municipal court. The prosecuting witness for the second time failed to appear and Judge Kearns dismissed the case.

Hanish has appealed his federal sentence.

ARRESTED IN LOWELL

LAWRENCE, Dec. 23.—Wladislaw Foharski and Nicolas Bouziak who were arrested at Lowell and detained on the charge of drunkenness there, were brought to this city yesterday by Officers Benoit and Remick. They were arraigned today at the local police court on the charge of assault on Peter Pavluk. The assault took place Sunday night at 319 Valley street, where the complainant was hit with a lamp.

FUNERALS

KELLEHER—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Kelleher, an esteemed resident of Belvidere, took place this morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 123 High street and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church, where at 9.30 o'clock a mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Owen McQuaid, O. M. I. Among the many beautiful floral tributes were a large pillow inscribed "Wife" from the husband, and a large wreath inscribed "Aunt Ellen," from Miss Ellen Hunt and Mrs. Meehan. The bearers were John Murphy, Edward Cox, Thomas Broderick, John Meehan Stephen Murphy and John Leahy. At the grave Rev. Fr. McQuaid read the committal prayers and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

KELLEY—The funeral of John J. Kelley took place this morning from the home of his son, Michael J. Kelley, 560 Broadway at 8.30 o'clock and was largely attended. At St. Patrick's church a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Timothy Callahan. Among the floral tributes were pieces from: Wife, fellow employes of the Lowell Water Works, Mr. Michael Farrell, John Edward Kearns, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hunt, Miss Josie Mack. The bearers were Patrick Hunt, Joseph P. Martin, James Fitzgerald, William Salim, John McNamara and Patrick Hunt. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Rev. Timothy Callahan read the committal prayers. Undertaker Peter H. Savage in charge of funeral arrangemnts.

EGAN—The funeral of Elizabeth Egan took place this morning from the home of her sister, Mrs. John McCabe, 9 Burns street, at 8.30 o'clock, and proceeded to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan. Among the floral offerings were a large pillow inscribed "Sister" from Mrs. John McCabe; standing wreath on base inscribed "Sister" from Mr. Dennis F. Egan of Lynn, and others who sent flowers were: Mary E. Markham, Mrs. Leonard, Mrs. Lamar Hallett, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Keefe and Miss Horan, Mrs. William Tucker, Miss Gertrude Rouine, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith, Edward Bushnell, Miss Catherine Healey, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Purnell, Mrs. Grace Thompson and Mr. John Morris, the Elks club of Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. John Gleason, Mr. Gus Darcy and Miss Sadie Curry of Boston, Kitty and Mary McKennedy, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McGuire, Mr. Michael Markham, Mr. C. F. Chisholm of Revere; spiritual bouquet, Mary E. White, Mrs. Bridget Gunn, Mrs. Jennie Lamerau and Mrs. McCue. There were present at the funeral relatives and friends from Boston, Lawrence, Haverhill, Ashburnham, Lynn, Somerville, Revere, Roxbury and Ballardvale. The burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan read the committal prayers. The bearers were Messrs. Robert Bassett, Charles O'Rourke, Henry Smith and John F. Gleason. The funeral arrangements were under the direction of Undertaker George B. McKenna.

MARTIN—The funeral of the late John P. Martin, a popular young resident of this city, took place this morning at 9.15 o'clock from the home of his aunt, Mrs. Stephen Laughton, 74 Chapel street, and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church where at 9.45 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. John F. Burns. The basket was borne by the following bearers: James O'Loughlin, Thomas Roark, Joseph Devlin, Andrew Buole, Thomas Slattery and Edward McCarthy. Those who sent flowers were: James O'Loughlin, Peter Sabn, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morris, Misses Mabel McLane, Florence Boulger, Gertrude Cunningham, Grace Cunningham, Tillie Ross, Lillie O'Connor, Katherine Quinn, and others. The interment was in the family lot at St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. John F. Burns. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker James H. McDermott.

TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

	High	Low	Close
Amal Copper	73¼	72	72½
Am Beet Sugar	23½	23⅛	23⅛
Am Can	30⅜	29½	29⅝
Am Can pfd	90	89½	89½
Am Car & Fn	44¾	44⅜	44⅜
Am Cot Oil	37¼	37¼	37¼
Am Hide & L pf	21½	21½	21½
Am Locomo	30⅝	30⅛	30⅛
Am Locomo pf	97½	97½	97½
Am Smelt & R	63⅞	63¾	63¾
Am Smelt & R pf	98¾	98¾	98¾
Am Sugar Rfn	106½	106	106
Anaconda	35½	35	35⅛
Atchison	94⅝	93⅞	93⅞
Atch pf	98¾	98¾	98¾
Balt & Ohio	93¼	92	92
Balt & O pf	80¾	80	80
Br Rap Tran	88¼	87⅞	88¼
Canadian Pa	213½	209½	210¼
Cent Leather	27⅜	26½	26⅝
Cent Leather pf	95	94½	94½
Ches & Ohio	59¼	58½	58¾
Col Fuel	29	29	29
Consol Gas	130¼	129½	129½
Den & Rio G	16½	15⅞	15⅞
Den & R G pf	27	25	25
Dis Secur Co	19½	18⅝	18⅝
Erie	29⅛	28⅛	28⅝
Erie 1st pf	45	44½	44½
Erie 2d pf	36	36	36
Gen Elec	140¾	139½	140
Gt North pf	126¾	126¼	126⅜
Gt N Ore ctf	35¾	34	34
Illinois Cen	106½	106½	106½
Int Met Com	15¼	14⅝	15
Int Met pf	61	59⅞	60¼
Int Paper	8⅞	8⅞	8⅞
Int Paper pf	37	37	37
In S Pump Co	5½	5⅛	5⅛
Kan City So	24¼	24	24
Kan & Tex	20½	20½	20½
Kent & T pf	53⅝	53½	53½
Lehigh Valley	154¼	153⅝	153⅝
Louis & Nash	134	134	134
Mex Cent	10⅜	10⅜	10⅜
Missouri Pa	24½	21¾	22¼
N Y Central	93¼	91⅞	92¼
Nor & West	104¼	104	104
North Pac	109⅝	109	109
Ont & West	28	27	27
Pennsylvania	109½	109	109¼
People's Gas	121	120⅜	120⅜
Pullman Co	152	152	152
Ry St Sp Co	24⅝	24½	24⅝
Reading	167⅝	166¼	166¼
Rep Iron & S	20¼	20¼	20¼
Rep I & S pf	81⅝	81⅝	81⅝
Rock Is	14	13⅝	13¾
Rock Is pf	21½	20½	20½
St. Paul	101½	100	100
So Pac	90⅝	89¼	89¼
Southern Ry	23⅛	22⅝	22⅝
Southern Ry pf	77	77	77
Tenn Copper	30½	30⅝	30⅝
Third Ave	41⅞	41½	41⅝
Union Pac	155⅞	154¾	155
Union Pac pf	84	83⅞	83⅞
U S Rub	56¼	56	56¼
U S Rub pf	100¼	100¼	100¼
U S Steel	59¾	58⅝	58⅝
U S Steel pf	106¼	105⅞	105⅞
Utah Copper	49⅝	48⅝	49
Wabash R R	3⅞	2⅞	2⅞
Wab R R pf	8⅛	8⅛	8⅛
Westinghouse	65½	64½	65
Western Union	57	56	56½

COTTON SPOT

Cotton spot closed quiet. Middling Uplands 17.60. Middling Gulf 12.85. Sales 400 bales.

IMPROVEMENT IN PRICES

AT OPENING—STOCKS BOUGHT ON LARGE SCALE—MARKET CLOSED EASY

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Buying of stocks on a large scale continued early today and a further improvement in prices resulted. The insistent demand in which there has been no let up for several days, indicated that the movement has passed beyond the bounds of an upturn at the expense of the shorts and traders said that operations on the long side had become more active than at any time since the September advance. Opening gains were restricted to fractions, except in the cases of Laclede Gas and Great Northern Ore, which rose 1. The list made a further improvement in the first half-hour and Reading, Southern Pacific and Amalgamated were pushed up one. Canadian Pacific selling x-rights, opened three points under yesterday's close.

Sentiment was distinctly hopeful today. Execution of large buying orders in stocks whose fluctuations usually govern the market and an expansion in the volume of dealings in bonds indicated the change in speculative sentiment as compared with a week ago. Declines in international stocks in London, failed to hold the market in check and the handsome gains made in the last few days were extended. Traders nevertheless were cautious, and took profits rather than run the risk of inviting a sharp reaction by pushing the advance too far. Weakness of Missouri Pacific, Western Union, New Haven and Canadian also tended to hold back the general list and the early rise was cut in two, some stocks losing all of their gains. Bonds were irregular.

Persistent weakness of certain low-priced specialties and railroad shares caused a suspension of operations for the long account. My mid-afternoon prices had returned to yesterday's close or below. Eastern trunk line stocks were distinctly heavy, as were Missouri Pacific, Rio Grande and Western Union.

The market closed easy. The resisting power of the list was lessened by the development of weakness at new points but prices did not sag greatly. Can. Pac. suffered a loss of nearly three points after deducting value of rights.

BOSTON MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 25.—Prices were firm, with trading on a broad and active basis during the opening hours on the Boston stock exchange today.

BOSTON MARKET

RAILROADS

	High	Low	Close
Boston & Albany	183½	183½	183½
Bos & Maine	42½	41½	41½
N Y & N H	73½	72¾	72¾
N Y & N H rts	96c	90c	95c

MINING

Arizona Com	4⅜	4⅝	4⅝
Cal & Arizona	63¼	63	63
Cal & Hecla	410	410	410
Centennial	14⅜	14	14⅜
Chino	38½	38¼	38¼
Copper Range	34½	34	34⅜
E Butte	11½	11¼	11⅜
Franklin	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝
Granby	72½	72½	72½
Greene-Cananea	29½	29½	29½
Kerr Lake	4½	4½	4½
La Salle	3⅝	3⅝	3⅝
Mohawk	41¾	41¾	41¾
Nevada	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝
Nipissing	8	8	8
North Butte	29	28	28
Old Colony	4½	4½	4½
Old Dominion	49½	49½	49½
Osceola	74	72	72
Quincy	68	68	68
Ray Con	18⅛	18	18⅛
Shannon	6	6	6
Superior	26	25½	26
Superior & Boston	2¾	2⅝	2⅝
Tamarack	30	29½	30
Trinity	4¼	4¼	4¼
Utah Cons	9	8¾	9
Wolverine	43¾	43¾	43¾

TELEPHONE

Am Tel & Tel	123¾	122⅞	123
New Eng Tel	133	133	133

MISCELLANEOUS

Mass Elec pf	64	64	64
United Fruit	162¼	162	162¼
United Sh M	54	53½	53½

UNLISTED SECURITIES

Alaska Gold	21¾	21⅜	21⅜
Am Ag Chem Com	46¼	46¼	46¼
Am Woolen pf	76½	76¼	76¼
American Zinc	19	18½	18½
Butte & Superior	33	30⅞	31
Isle Royale	19	19	19
Lake Copper	7¼	7	7
Miami Cop	22¼	21¼	21¼
Swift & Co	103	103	103
U S Smelting	40¼	40	40
U S Smelting pf	48	47⅞	47⅞

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MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mercantile paper 5¾@6 per cent. Sterling exchange. Sixty day bills 481.35; for demand 485.30; commercial bills 480½. Bar silver 59½. Mexican dollars 44½. Government bonds steady; railroad bonds irregular.

COTTON FUTURES

	Opening	Close
December		12.15
January	11.84	11.88
March		12.23
May	12.14	12.19
July	12.12	12.20
October		11.53

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

SCHMIDT TRIAL

Doctor Jelliffe Says That Slayer is Mentally Deficient

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Hans Schmidt, slayer of Anna Aumuller, is not shamming insanity, as the district attorney charges, but is mentally deficient, according to Dr. Smith Ely Jelliffe, who testified for the defense at today's session of Schmidt's trial for murder.

"It is absolutely impossible for Schmidt to be shamming insanity," Dr. Jelliffe said in answer to a question from the bench. "He is suffering from a paranoid or paraphernice type of dementia."

Dr. Jelliffe submitted to the court a chart of Schmidt's family tree, embracing more than 60 of the prisoner's relatives, many of whom have either been adjudged insane or evinced striking symptoms of mental disorder.

DOCTORS TALK WITH THAW

SPECIAL COMMISSION BEGINS WORK TO DETERMINE IF PRISONER IS STILL INSANE

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 23.—Dr. Morrison Prince of Boston and Dr. George Alden Blumer of Providence, R. I., members of the Thaw commission, arrived in the city from Boston at 11 this morning and went into the office of Gen. Frank S. Streeter at his residence in North Main street, where they met their associates, Gen. Streeter and Dr. Charles P. Bancroft. Following a brief consultation Harry Kendall Thaw was summoned from the Eagle house and remained in conference with the commission the larger part of the day. No statement as to the nature of the session could be obtained from him or from members of the commission. Gen. Streeter has received word from William Travers Jerome that he will forward without delay the hospital records relating to Thaw from the time of the original commitment of Thaw to Matteawan.

THANKED THE SUN

The following has been received from the Y. M. C. A.:

Editors of The Lowell Sun,
Sun Building, Lowell, Mass.

Dear Sirs: At our closing celebration last evening of the campaign for the wiping out of the debt on the Lowell Young Men's Christian Association building, three hearty cheers were given for The Lowell Sun for its aid in the publicity part of the campaign through the presentation in its columns of the reports of the campaign meetings and the generous pledge made by the Lowell public toward the support of this cause.

On behalf of the executive committee, I take pleasure in conveying to you their sincere expression of thanks for your generous assistance.

I remain,
Very truly yours,
D. E. Yarnell,
General Secretary.
December 23, 1913.

TAMPICO QUIET

U.S. Warships Arrived at Vera Cruz Today—Huerta's Birthday

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, Dec. 23.—The United States battleships Kansas and Connecticut arrived here today and anchored outside the harbor with the Nebraska, the Louisiana and the New Hampshire. The two last-named vessels are to leave at once for the United States.

Official advices from Tampico state that all is quiet there.

HUERTA'S BIRTHDAY

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—Provisional President Huerta today revived what was an annual custom under the regime of General Porfirio Diaz, of celebrating at the national palace with great formality, the anniversary of the birth of the chief executive. He was born on December 23, 1854.

Before daylight this morning military bands marched up and down in front of the palace and serenaded the provisional president. During the forenoon he received the congratulations of committees representing all departments of the government.

The final event in the day's celebration was a reception of the diplomatic corps, at which all the foreign representatives were present with the exception of Nelson O'Shaughnessy, American charge d'affaires.

NOMINATIONS BY WILSON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson today made these nominations:

Secretary of embassy, Madrid, Fred Morris Dearing, Missouri.

Second secretaries, Thomas Hinckley, Washington, D. C., at Vienna, Arthur Hugh Frazier, Pennsylvania, at Paris, George Sumerlin, Louisiana at Berlin; Henry C. May, Washington, D. C., at Tokio; Arthur M. Jones, New York, at St. Petersburg.

Secretaries of legation, Hugh S. Gibson, California, at Brussels; Gustave Scholle, Minnesota, at Havana; Francis Munroe Endicott, Massachusetts, at San Jose, Costa Rica; M. Marshall Langhorn, Virginia, to The Netherlands and Luxemburg; Sheldon Whitehouse, New York, at Managua; Frank Mott Gunther, Virginia, at Christiania; James G. Bailey of Kentucky at Lisbon; William Whiting Andrews, Ohio, at Berne; Willing Spencer, Pennsylvania, at Caracas.

Second secretary of legation, Frederick A. Sterling, Texas, at Peking.

Secretary of legation and consul general, Henry F. Tennant of New York at San Salvador.

$250,000 FOR STEAMBOATS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—An appropriation of $250,000 for the equipment of three light draft river steamboats, together with additional motor boats to patrol the Mississippi and Ohio rivers and their tributaries in flood time to save life and property, would be provided by a bill introduced today by Rep. Goodwin of Arkansas.

CHICAGO SCHOOL HEAD

FRIENDS OF MRS. YOUNG ARE CONFIDENT OF RE-ELECTING HER TO SUPERINTENDENCY

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Friends of Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, who recently declined to be a candidate for re-election to the superintendency of the local public schools because of the opposition to her work by several members of the board of education, will make an effort to have her reinstated as superintendent at a meeting of the board late today.

They say she will have the votes of eleven members of the board the number necessary to remove Supt. John D. Shoop and re-elect her. Friends of Supt. Shoop, however, said the plan would fail.

IN PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS VACATION—CAROLS IN HONOR OF THE FEAST SUNG

St. Patrick's parochial school closed this afternoon for the annual Christmas vacation, which will last until Monday, Jan. 5. Christmas exercises were held this afternoon in each class room.

Christmas carols were sung and recitations given. In the latter part of the afternoon Rt. Rev. Monsignor William O'Brien, P. R., visited the boys and extended his Christmas greetings. Bro. Osmond, principal of the school, also visited the pupils in every room, and wished them all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

St. Joseph's

St. Joseph's college will close tomorrow afternoon. The children will gather in the assembly hall and there they will be entertained by the talent of the school. Rev. J. H. Racette, O. M. I., Ph. D., pastor, will be present and he will address the gathering.

The convent in Moody street will also close tomorrow afternoon, as well as St. Louis' parochial school and Notre Dame de Lourdes in Middlesex street. Special programs will be carried out in these three schools.

Immaculate Conception

Tomorrow forenoon special exercises will be held at the Immaculate Conception church and at noon the school will be dismissed until Jan. 5. The exercises will consist of recitations and hymns and an address by the pastor, Rev. Lawrence F. Tighe, O. M. I.

Brownies, Asso., Xmas eve.

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STREET MASHERS

In many of the principal cities of the country the authorities have appointed policewomen to the regular police force for the purpose of catching the street mashers that escape the vigilance of the male police officials. Whether the women chosen have not been of the type desired, or whether the task is too heavy for women to handle, or for some other reason, the result has not been quite satisfactory. Arrests have been made in plenty but in most cases the accused are allowed to go when brought before the courts. This does not prove by any means that street mashers do not exist, and in great numbers, but that the method employed to bring them to justice is faulty. There is just the possibility too that a zealous police-lady looking for trouble may give a little more encouragement to the offender than is within the regulations of strict female conduct in public.

One cannot take a walk through the street without seeing the street mashers. They are usually brainless young men of the peacock variety who pay rigorous attention to their neckties and the cut of their garments but little or no attention to public propriety. They stand around in groups and after expending all their epithets of admiration in mutual complimenting, they start in to make themselves as obnoxious as possible to young ladies who pass, especially if the young ladies are unattended. A brawny male escort makes all the difference in the world to the feather-brained ogler of pretty girls, for bless your heart! they would not get into a fight for the world. Fighting is extremely vulgar you know, and it is almost absolutely impossible to look attractive when you are knocked in the gutter.

It is a reflection on our sense of chivalry that a young lady cannot go through the streets or wait at the square for a car without being bowed to, smiled at, spoken to, or more or less openly embarrassed, by absolute strangers who are hanging around to make an impression on the giddy and thoughtless butterflies who pass. While we have the foolish young thing to whom male admiration and public interference have nothing of insult, we must expect to have decent people publicly insulted by cads. All people cry out against the cliques of a rougher sort which collect in out of the way sections and make themselves obnoxious to all who pass, but oftentimes the well dressed and externally clean loafer may smirk and smile with impunity.

There should be one rule of public conduct for gentle as well as rough and this should demand that women and girls be allowed to go about their missions of business or pleasure without being molested by human hawks or dickey birds. Not all the stories of the masher are authentic for we will always have the vain temperamental young lady who sees molestation in every trifling incident of an afternoon walk, but enough of them are authentic, and publicly evident, to warrant police interference. If young men, and the few rascally old ones, were reported to the police for their public insults, we might hope for improvement. We are anxious that our streets should be free from dirt and refuse. Let us also free them from the masher as far as possible.

CHRISTMAS COMES SMILING

The traditional Christmas time comes when the ground is covered with snow, when the airs are keen and piercing, when people go forth enveloped in furs and woolens and when the blazing yuletog invites those who wish to keep Christmas cheer from the chilly out-of-doors to the warmth of the ingle nook. This is the traditional and story-book Christmas, but it will not be the Christmas of Lowell for the year 1913—unless there is a sudden and violent change in the temper of the weather man. For weeks past we have enjoyed weather as unusual as it is delightful and though it may interfere slightly with the romantic setting of the season, it is a great boon to most of the people, and it can be made far more enjoyable than the time of glittering snow time if we set aside our preconceived notions of what Christmas weather should be, and accept what the Lord and Santa Claus have sent in a spirit of joyous gratefulness.

Speaking of Santa Claus, however, awakes one regret for the vanished Christmas time of snows and icicles. How are we going to tell all the wonder-folk of the time that the genial old traveler is coming down from the frosty north in his sleigh drawn by reindeer when there is not an inch of snow on which he may glide over the house tops? Of course he is going to come. He never disappointed us yet. But this year he is not going to use his sleigh. Now is it not just possible that in his pack of mechanical wizardry he has discovered the most wonderiferous of all wonderful aeroplanes with white wings like a sea gull and golden wires like the harp that David played on and an engine that hums Christmas carols instead of saying "Chug, Chug"? He does not change the cut of his beard from year to year, and he still holds on to his scarlet, fur trimmed tunic, but with the wisdom of all the centuries he has lived to make kiddies happy, he has learned what to do when there is no snow for the flying feet of his galloping reindeer.

The only person who can give an authoritative opinion on this most important matter is some grave philosopher of four who pauses long enough in the process of hanging up his stocking to make the old folk wise. But then on second thought it must be plain to all that there are no old folk at Christmas time. We are all children, be we eight or eighty, before the gladsome spirit of the season that gives us abundantly of all good things, not the least important of which is our glorious weather of health and happiness and bracing airs.

TRUANT SCHOOL BOYS

The appointment of a parole officer for the Middlesex county training school of North Chelmsford, otherwise known as the truant school, is a wise precaution and the need for such an official is amptly proved by the records of police courts which, to a discouraging degree, testify that the inmates of such institutions should be kept under strict supervision when they are released. At a meeting of the county commissioners last summer it was deemed advisable to pay more attention to this matter and the appointment of the parole officer, to take place the first of the year, is the result. His duties will be to see where a boy goes after being released from the institution, what kind of home atmosphere he lives in, what companions he keeps, what influences surround him, and all other matters that will have a direct bearing on his conduct after being released from the institution. He will also be able to help the officials of the school in understanding each individual case and its needs, for with the sending of a boy to the truant school, he can testify to his past home surroundings, and the line of treatment that is liable to effect his reformation.

It must be discouraging to those interested in social improvement to see how often individuals turn to a criminal life after being released from a reformatory or other corrective school. The reason, however, is plain. While one has kept out of the toils of the law, and away from the atmosphere of courts, prisons, and restraining institutions, there is a certain wall of natural shame that serves as a protection. Once this has been broken down by an offence it can never be repaired. The histories of prison pardons are replete with cases which show that incarceration in any form damages the moral nature and predisposes to further crime. It may be that in the past the law concerned itself too much with the punishment and did not reach a helping hand when the released prisoner faced society and its problems. In a smaller sense this was true of all truant schools. The state has done well to realize that its duties do not cease once a boy has been released from such an institution as the school at North Chelmsford, and the appointment of the new official is a move in the right direction.

A TRUST DISSOLVED

The declared intention of the American Telephone and Telegraph company to release its control of the Western Union Telegraph company, and get rid of the stock, is a great and significant victory for the administration. It speaks for the new business ideal mentioned by the president in his letter on the subject to the attorney-general, and it shows distinctively that instead of merciless hounding there will be a spirit of real co-operation between the government and offending institutions in getting their affairs to conform with the anti-trust laws of the country. It may be that the unmerging will cause a temporary confusion in business, but there are not many thinking people who would desire a business catered to by the government, contrary to law. If the law is worth enforcing it must be enforced, and all evidences now indicate that it will be enforced.

President Vail has given an example worthy of emulation to the other large interests of the country, by at once complying with the wishes of the administration instead of dragging out his opposition as many trusts have done during the Taft and Roosevelt regimes without resultant vindication or honor. The "complete frankness" of which the president speaks, has resulted in good in this instance, and it will help to bring about a better spirit in the relations of the government with big business. After the passing of a tariff bill which has left prosperity undisturbed, and a currency bill which will free the monetary system of the country from artificial restraint, we may look forward to the anti-trust activity that is coming with confidence and re-assurance. Business should not, of course, and will not, bow to the government if it is being imposed on in any particular, but if it is apparent that what is desired is in compliance with laws made by the country in its wisdom in the past, the best spirit to follow is the spirit recently shown by the American Telegraph and Telephone company.

KEEP OFF TRACKS

There is scarcely an edition of the daily papers that does not give a positive warning concerning the danger of walking on railroad tracks or beside them. On Sunday two boys aged 17 were going through the railroad yards at Portland, Me., on the way home from a fishing trip. Seeing a train approaching they hurried to get out of the way. As is usual in railroad construction, there were some holes between the ties and one of the boys slipped, getting his foot into one of these so that he could not extricate it in time. He was held there until the train came and released him by cutting off his leg. This could happen very easily in our railroad yards, and the reason we have not had such accidents is that trains have not come when boys were so caught. The only safe way to walk on railroad tracks is to walk away from them.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

TRIBUTE TO FITZGERALD

Woonsocket Call: Mr. Fitzgerald's political usefulness is not, however, to be looked upon as ended. There is a strong expectation of his complete and speedy recovery. He is still a comparatively young man, whose good habits will now stand him in good stead. The democratic party of Boston and Massachusetts, divided as it is at times, regards Fitzgerald as a strong asset. He is a vote winner of ability and a trained and successful politician. There is party work yet for him which would gratify his ambition and serve the public and the democracy. His mayorship, taken as a whole, has been energetic and productive of good results.

DANBURY HATTERS

Burlington Free Press: The gist of the Danbury hatters case decision is that the Sherman anti-trust law is no respecter of persons, whether those directly concerned represent either capital or labor. That principle is as far-reaching as it is fundamental.

THE NEW HAVEN CASE

Salem News: In the words of an old saying, "Where there's so much smoke there must be some fire." At any rate, the unbiased observer who contemplates the present plight of New Haven and compares conditions with those which prevailed a dozen or 15 years ago, will not rest content with the explanation that the cause of the road's embarrassments must primarily be sought in government regulation and "Washington threats against the security of railroad investments." To hosts of people this must look like a begging of the question.

MUNICIPAL SALARIES

Newport News: A resolution to increase the salary of the president of the New York board of aldermen from $5000 to $10,000 has been withdrawn at the request of Mr. McAneny, who will fill the office for the next four years. He said: "Perhaps the salary is not what it ought to be, but I think it would be wrong to have the salary of an elected officer changed. I ask quite earnestly that the resolution be withdrawn." Score one for McAneny's sense of honor and good taste.

TO THE OLD COUNTRY

Fall River Globe: Never before have the outgoing European steamers at this season been so heavily laden with Christmas offerings wherewith to gladden people in the old world. The increase in the amount of foreign money orders issued by the New York postoffice alone for the month of December represented $1,245,000; the greater portion of which it is fair to assume represented Christmas remittances, while the gift packages that every departing liner has been carrying for the past two weeks, surpasses all previous records.

IMMIGRATION BILL

Providence Tribune: It would bar from entry all Asiatics, militant suffragettes, advocates of sabotage and anarchists. Just why the militant suffragettes were included and not the militant socialists does not appear. This is a palpable weakness of the bill and represents a change that was made since last spring. The literacy test, requiring all aliens to be able to read and write some language, has been retained. This was the stumbling block which defeated the measure in committee a year or so ago.

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Seen and Heard

Here and there a backyard farmer has already succeeded in explaining to himself why his garden wasn't a success last summer, so that he has changed his mind and has concluded now to try again next year.

One depressing thing about having your fortune told is that the future so seldom turns out the way the fortune teller says it will.

Some people can never be happy with the blessings they enjoy, because the blessings that other people enjoy are so much more conspicuous.

Train robbery is not so frequent in the wild west now as it used to be, although, of course, the Pullman porters have to get enough to live on.

When a man prances into the office and announces in a glad tone that he is full of "pep" it is a good idea for the man at the desk to pull the string that drops down the sign reading: "This is my busy day!"

Not that Representative Robert S. Broussard of Louisiana is finicky about his food; far be it from anything of this sort. Mr. Broussard likes all food, some more than others, but all of it to him is good, and the subject to him is ever interesting.

Good natured always, it is not for him to complain. No man in public life has more reason to be contented with his lot. He is rounding out his eighth term in the house and has nicely buttoned up a six-year term in the senate following that. Contented? Why, that's his middle name.

But the other day he struck a steak in the house restaurant that did not appeal to him. Sadly she pushed it away from him.

"What's the matter with it, Bob?" asked a fellow member who was lunching with him.

"I don't know," said Broussard, "but it tastes like wasted money."

THE KNIGHT'S TOAST

To one whose image never may depart;
Deep graven in the grateful heart,
To one whose love for me shall last
When lighter passion long has passed,
So holy 'tis, and true;
To one whose love hath longer dwelt
More deeply fixed more keenly felt
Than any pledged by you.

And Stanley said: "We crave the name
Proud, knight, of this most peerless dame
Whose love you count so high."
St. Leon paused, as if he would
Not breathe her name in careless doom
Thus lightly to another;
Then bent his noble head as though
To give that word its reverence due,
And gently said: "My mother!"
—Scott.

Eggs are so useful in cooking, as every house keeper knows, that they will always hold a place to which they would not be strictly entitled from the standpoint of nutritive value. Of this they have less than any meat that is eaten except veal. Scientists and experts measure the food value of different materials by what are called calories, which represent the heat producing or energy producing quality independent of the refuse and water contained in all foods. Thus measured fresh beef, medium fat, the loin cut, contains 1,025 calories to the pound; ribs, 1,125; round, 715; mutton, leg, 890; loin, 1,415; pork loin, 1,245; fresh ham, 1,220; veal, leg, 625; loin, 625; eggs, 635. Eggs contain a large per cent of water and a smaller per cent. of protein and of fat than any of the meats named. It follows that a pound of any kind or cut of meat, except veal, contains more nutritive qualities than a pound of eggs with shells removed.

Johnny Appleseed was the nickname of a quaint and interesting character of early Indiana, who has sometimes been called a pioneer hero. His real name was Jonathan Chapman, and he was born in Massachusetts in 1775. In 1801 or 1802 he arrived in northern Ohio, with a horseload of appleseeds, and from that time on for many years he spent his time tramping over Ohio and Indiana planting appleseeds in every eligible spot he found, and especially in every clearing. If circumstances favored he planted enough to form an orchard. The result was a growth of thousands of apple trees, many of which continued to bear a long time. He was an original character of kindly disposition, and a welcome guest everywhere throughout the sparsely settled country. He died in Allen county, Indiana, in 1847, and was buried not far from Ft. Wayne.

OLD POETS

If I should live in a forest
And sleep underneath a tree,
No grove of whispering saplings
Would make a home for me.

I'd go where the old oaks gather,
Serene and good and strong,
And they would not sigh and tremble
And vex me with a song.

The pleasantest sort of poet
Is the poet who's old and wise,
With an old white beard, and wrinkles
About his kind old eyes.

For these young flibbertigibbets
Archyming their hours away,
They won't be still like honest men
And listen to what you say.

The young poet screams forever
About his sex and his soul,
But the old man listens and smokes his pipe
And polishes its bowl.

There should be a club for poets
Who have come to seventy year,
They should sit in a great hall drinking
Red wine and golden beer.

They would shuffle in of an evening,
Each one to his cushioned seat,
And there would be mellow talking
And silence rich and sweet.

There is no peace to be taken
With poets who are young,
For they worry about the wars to be fought
And the songs that must be sung.

But the old man knows that he's in his chair
And that God's on His throne in the sky,
So he sits by the fire in comfort
And he lets the world spin by.

—Joyce Kilmer in Smart Set.

BETRAYED BY DEATH

WOMAN THREE YEARS IN SECRET ROOM OF LAWYER WHO DIED SUDDENLY

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—In this quiet picturesque village in the last three years there has been enacted a drama that surpasses any episode of an affinity or almost any story that the imagination of a Balzac might evolve.

The fact became public yesterday, following the sudden death of Melvin H. Couch, that he, 65 years old, genial and highly respected, and former district attorney, kept for three years in a secret room in his office a woman named Adelaide E. Brance, and for 12 years prior to that time the two had been intimate, but whether they had lived together clandestinely, the woman refused now to disclose.

In all that time the woman, now 49 years old, left the secret room probably only two or three times, and her existence in this town was known to nobody except Couch himself.

She was practically a willing slave, devoting her entire life to Couch, nursing him when ill and attending to his every want.

For him she gave up her friends and all association with friends whom she had made either here or in other places. Nobody can be found who ever has seen her in the last three years, and she herself said that she went out at night on two or three occasions.

NO HOLIDAY BUSINESS

UNREST FELT THROUGHOUT MEXICO BY MERCHANTS—NO WINDOW DECORATIONS

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—Feeble efforts have been made to arrange holiday festivities in Mexico City this year. Gov. Corona of the federal district has enlisted a few of the city's fashionable women to assist him in holding a Kermess in one of the public parks, but even this show of holiday spirit is half apologetic, it being announced that the proceeds are to go toward buying clothing for the poor.

Merchants in Mexico annually dress their windows and stores to attract the present-buying public, but unlike the stores in the United States the rush is not over until one week later. Some Mexicans buy presents and distribute them on Christmas eve, but all of them give, or want to give tokens of their love and friendship on New Year's day.

This year the merchants have made little effort to capture the holiday trade on account of the unrest throughout the land.

Merchants who had placed orders early in the year with European toy houses have generally cancelled them because of the increased duty on all importations. Such show windows as are decorated with holiday goods this year contain the left over goods of a year ago.

TO BEGIN LIFE ANEW

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 23.—James Moriarty, 35 years old, who was acquitted a few days ago of the charge of having caused the death of Mrs. Caroline Turner, of Lakewood, N. J., is expected to arrive in Manchester today to begin life anew. Moriarty will live with his uncle, Joseph Lehan.

Moriarty was formerly clerk of the Amoskeag National bank, but lost his position. He will seek employment here as a stenographer.

WHY THAYER DECLINED

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Ezra R. Thayer, dean of the Harvard law school, announced last night that he had written to Governor Foss, declining nomination as a justice of the supreme court. Dean Thayer said he felt that he could perform his present duties at Harvard better than he could fill a seat on the supreme bench. His nomination is now before the governor's council.

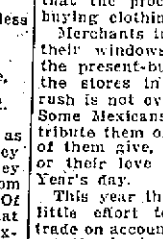
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LOSES FIGHT FOR BABY

JUDGE REFUSES TO GIVE MOTHER CUSTODY AND RETURNS CHILD TO GRANDMOTHER

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Before her 15-months-old baby, who did not know her, Mrs. Anna L. Washburn of Washington made a tearful plea for the custody of the child in the superior court yesterday.

Notwithstanding her appeal, Judge Crosby decided against her, on the ground that it would be better for the child to remain with its present custodian, the grandmother, Mrs. Ida Parkins Washburn of Everett.

During the arguments Mrs. Washburn, mother of the baby, was forced to listen to grave accusations concerning her own habits.

Mrs. Washburn said she was the wife of John K. Washburn, color sergeant of the 15th U. S. Cavalry, who is suing her for divorce. She claimed her husband stole the child away from her in Washington, last July.

She stated her husband obtained possession of the child by giving her a dollar and telling her to go out and spend it. When she came back the child and father were both gone. She traced them to Everett.

Witnesses testified and letters were produced in an effort to show that Mrs. Washburn used intoxicating liquors.

In making his decision Judge Crosby made it plain that he considered only the present welfare of the child.

At a previous hearing Mrs. Washburn was granted a few minutes in which to fondle the child. Yesterday at the conclusion of the case the baby was carried right past Mrs. Washburn from the court room by its grandmother. In the months that have elapsed since the child was taken from Washington it has quite forgotten her, and in the court room it betrayed no sign of recognition.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of the Benevolent Order of Buffaloes was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Odd Fellows Building, Middlesex street, with President James E. Hughes in the chair.

This meeting was transferred from the regular meeting night Wednesday the 24th on account of that date being Christmas eve. It was thought on account of the change that there would not be a very large attendance but the members, realizing that the change had been made for their especial benefit, attended to a man and a very successful meeting was held.

During the meeting various committees made their reports, prominent among them being the report of Supreme Trustee Jesse D. Crook, who is chairman of the whist tournament committee. Mr. Crook assured the members that his committee would have arrangements completed so that they would be able to begin the tournament on the second meeting night in January.

Eleven applications for membership were received and acted upon and everything seems to indicate that the next class initiation seems to indicate that the next class initiation will be the largest up to date.

A large amount of routine business was taken care of and to avoid mistakes the members were notified that there would be no meeting on next Wednesday evening, but after that date the meetings would be held as usual on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month until further notice.

REBELS PLAY WAITING GAME

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 23.—A waiting attitude was assumed by Gen. Francisco Villa and his rebel troops yesterday to learn what action the Federals at Ojinaga intend to take. As long as the bulk of the Federal army in the north remains at Ojinaga, more than 100 miles from striking distance of any of the rebel strongholds, Gen. Villa said he was contented to let them remain there. While the Federals have been provisioning their commissary as if preparing to march into the interior they are without any train or telegraphic communication south of the border. They have among them 10 generals, or one for each 400 soldiers.

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SULLIVAN—The funeral of John J. Sullivan will take place Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock from his home, 74 White street. At 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Columba's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

DOHERTY—The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Doherty will take place tomorrow afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from her home, 17 Queen street. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Services at the grave. Funeral in charge of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons, undertakers.

RILEY—The funeral of Mrs. Rose Riley will take place Wednesday morning from her late home, 150 Cross street, at 9 o'clock. Solemn high mass of requiem at St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

MITCHELL—Funeral services of Moses C. Mitchell will be held from the Mitchell school, Billerica Centre, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends invited. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Young & Blake.

WEBSTER—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Webster will take place tomorrow morning at 8.15 o'clock from her late home, 151 Coburn street. High mass of requiem at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of Funeral Director James W. McKenna.

FITZPATRICK—The funeral of Thomas Fitzpatrick will take place tomorrow morning at 8.30 o'clock from his son's home, 81 Newhall street. At the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock a funeral mass of requiem will be celebrated. Undertaker John J. O'Connell in charge of funeral arrangements.

PARKER—Mr. Levi N. Parker, an old resident of Dracut, died at his home, Greenmont avenue Tuesday, Dec. 23, aged 75 years. Mr. Parker is survived by his wife, one son, Edwin S. of Woburn, three daughters, Miss Alice G., Annie M. and Ethel N. of Dracut. Funeral services Friday at 2 o'clock from his home, Greenmont avenue, Dracut. Friends invited to attend. Please omit flowers. Funeral in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

DEATHS

FITZPATRICK—Thomas Fitzpatrick died yesterday at the home of his son, 81 Newhall street. He leaves one son, Richard and one daughter, Marion.

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HOSPITAL SITE
Continued

erty in question cannot be used as a hospital.

Mr. Cummings said he had been given to understand that the Chelmsford Street hospital ground would not be acceptable to the state board of health as a site for a contagious hospital.

Mr. Howard said that he thought the site offered back of the Lowell General hospital on the Drewett hill site would be available.

Mayor O'Donnell said that very little grading would be necessary on the Pillsbury site, and he said the Pillsbury site would, when everything had been considered, be the cheapest site that could be selected. He said it was easy of access and centrally located.

Asked why the municipal council voted to ask the state board of health to select a site for a contagious hospital, Mayor O'Donnell replied:

"I was opposed to it, and I told Mr. Cummings so, but he made the motion and I voted for it out of courtesy to him."

Messrs. Barrett and Brown said that was exactly their position in the matter.

Mr. Barrett said he questioned very seriously the honesty of the state board of health in not favoring the Pillsbury estate as a site for a contagious hospital and recommending a site in Pawtucketville.

Mr. Howard said the state board's objection to the Pillsbury site was because of its proximity to the Merrimack river and the consequent dampness.

Ald. Barrett asked Mr. Howard if he knew any place in Lowell where real estate had met with greater development in the last few years than in the vicinity of the Lowell hospital.

Mr. Howard said he thought there had been improvement in that section.

Mr. Howard asked Mayor O'Donnell if it was a fact that he had told a woman over the telephone a week or two ago that he thought the Pillsbury estate unsuited for a contagious disease hospital and the mayor said that to the best of his recollection he did not make the statement.

T. W. Johnson was a remonstrant. He said he had purchased some property at the corner of Andover street and Butman road and he didn't want a contagious disease hospital in that section. He did not think the Pillsbury site a desirable one. He said his dog went in swimming near that site, "and you should have seen that dog when he came home," concluded Mr. Johnson.

George H. Taylor appeared as a remonstrant, representing C. I. Hood. Other remonstrants included Patrick Kelly, E. P. Wilder, Henry E. Worcester and Nathan Lamson.

Thomas Murphy said he understood that the council thought when it voted for the Pillsbury estate that the buildings thereon could be used for hospital purposes, but he had been told they could not be used and in view of that fact $21,000 was an exorbitant price.

Albert E. O'Heir said that the land in Andover street is on a level with the roof of the Pillsbury house. Mr. O'Heir said he presumed there would be remonstrance to the proposition to locate a hospital in any section of the city. He thought a hospital should be located in some place where the land is less valuable. He thought the Pillsbury site entirely unsuited for hospital purposes. He mentioned the Daniel's land as being perhaps a suitable site. He said it would not cost so much.

Mrs. Dexter said she was located nearer the Pillsbury estate than any one present and she was opposed to the purchase of that estate for a contagious disease hospital. She related a conversation she had with Mayor O'Donnell in which she alleged the mayor said she need not have any fear that a hospital would be built on the Pillsbury estate. Mrs. Dexter said that the erection of a hospital there would depreciate her property to the extent of $4000. Asked what her property was worth Mrs. Dexter said she did not know, as she had never set a price upon it. "I do not want tubercular patients passing my front lawn and expectorating about the premises," said Mrs. Dexter. She said that the Dr. Pillsbury estate is "one of the coldest places on the face of the earth."

Mayor O'Donnell, at this point, read communications favoring the Pillsbury estate as a site for a contagious hospital.

Mr. Howard said there was a site in the rear of the Lowell General hospital that could be purchased for about $4000.

For Pillsbury Site

F. E. Dunbar appeared for Dr. Pillsbury and Mr. Guyette, the real estate agent, said he thought there had been a lot of unnecessary hysteria in connection with the matter of locating a contagious disease hospital on the Pillsbury estate. He said there were some utterances made which corroborated the old saying, that the right place to have a boil is on the other fellow.

So far as the Chelmsford Street hospital ground was concerned, Mr. Dunbar said in the beginning he was in favor of the Chelmsford street land, but after investigating he was satisfied that the land there was not even fit for an almshouse.

He said that the original price asked for the Pillsbury estate was $25,000, and that the estate would sell for $21,000 and not one cent less, and so far as Dr. Pillsbury was concerned, he said, he might be eliminated from all arguments.

Mr. Dunbar contended that the buildings on the Pillsbury estate could be used for hospital purposes; perhaps not for tuberculosis cases, but for other contagious diseases.

He said it was probably an unfortunate thing for persons living in the vicinity of the Pillsbury estate that it was so splendidly located and well adapted to hospital purposes. "It is a beautiful location and at a greater altitude over the river than the tuberculosis camps at the Lowell General hospital," said Mr. Dunbar.

He said that Mr. Mills of the Locks & Canals would not say, and he is a recognized authority, that the Pillsbury estate would not be a fit place to treat tuberculosis.

He spoke of the Corey Hill hospital in Brookline, and said it was surrounded with elegant residences and beautiful boulevards.

Alderman Cummings asked Mr. Dunbar a few questions and made the very remarkable statement that all of the contagious diseases in Lowell with the exception of tuberculosis, could be cared for at the ward for that purpose at the Lowell hospital.

Com. Cummings, in reply to questions by Mr. Dunbar, said he did not think the Pillsbury estate was large enough for a contagious hospital. The commissioner said he could not understand why Lowell had been picked out by the state board as the city to be prosecuted.

Mr. Dunbar, in reply, stated that the state board had nothing but to enforce the law and that the city had nothing to do but to obey.

Mr. Dunbar said that the tuberculosis camps at the Lowell General hospital were probably nearer the river than the Pillsbury estate. He spoke of the rugged constitution of the Pillsbury family and allowed that a great many statements made about fog and such like were very much overdrawn.

At 1.50 the meeting adjourned to 3 o'clock.

NORTH BILLERICA

The last night of play in the Billerica republican club whist tournament was held at the club rooms last night and the list of prize winners announced and their scores is as follows: Thomas Ellis, 202; William McBride, 196; Ralph Manning, 180; William Chambers, 176; Joseph Garner, 193; Louis Perry, 174; William Higson, 174.



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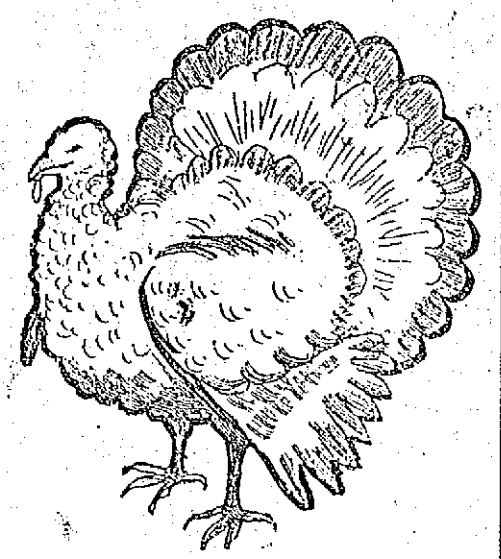
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Athletes and Athletics

Haverhill High will be properly equipped with everything that goes to make a successful football team in the future if present plans work out. Last night the Haverhill Dartmouth club gave the high school eleven a banquet and pledged itself to the support of a new athletic field. One of the city council, a Dartmouth graduate, promised the co-operation of the municipality in the matter. Haverhill is surely proud of its high school football team.

Finney Boyle fought a hard draw with Oscar Lloyd of Boston in the semi-windup to the Corrigan-Riley bout. Finney was in no condition to box but went on because the management could not offer a substitute. The Lowell boy did very well to stand Lloyd off with a draw considering the poor condition his hands are in.

Gunboat Smith and Arthur Pelky are both fit, it is reported, for their bout on the coast New Year's day. Smith is looked upon as the favorite with odds of 10 to 8. Pelky has spent more time in preparing for the contest than has his opponent. It looks like Smith's fight but we must always remember that the Chicopee scrapper packs a punch.

With the release of Dickson the poor Braves are left with only seventeen twirlers on their staff. Rather a weak pitching department numerically, is it not? Dickson was given his unconditional passport yesterday and will heave the sphere for Syracuse next season.

Jesse Burkett is still after those Red Sox youngsters and O'Donnell, the business manager of the Worcester club was in Boston yesterday for the purpose of talking over a few details with Carrigan and Lannin. The latter agreed to turn over two pitchers to the Busters after the spring training trip which looks as though the Worcester team may have two real hurlers on the mound next season.

Whether or not the flash that the Federals are making now is purely stage play cannot be determined, but from all accounts the outlaws are going to make quite a showing next season. They realize as well as the sponsors of the two major leagues that if they do not come through big in 1914 there is no hope for their ultimate success and are making every effort to build up an organization which can compete with the big show.

Rube Waddell is reported to be rapidly recovering from his attack of lung trouble which threatened his life for a while. Rube is now the property of the Minneapolis club, although he is in Texas for the winter. The management of the Minnesota team expects to see Waddell in harness again next spring.

Billy Corrigan, Hector McInnis' pet, shaded Tommy Riley of Biddeford at Dover last night in one of the best bouts seen in the New Hampshire city this season. Corrigan outboxed his husky opponent, but could make no impression upon him. The two were rematched to appear there later on.

Arthur Burckel, the husky tackle of last season's Lawrence high eleven, was yesterday elected captain of the down river school boys' track team. Burckel's election was looked upon as a certainty as he has been a member of the track team for the past two years and is very popular.

MINOR LEAGUE

Wamesits and Oregons Tied for Lead—Nelson and Mason Have High Averages

The battle for league leader in the Minor Bowling league is waxing warmer as the weeks roll by with the Wamesits and the Oregons showing the greatest strength at present. The latest figures give both of these teams a percentage of .714 while the South Ends stand third with .642.

In the individual averages Nelson and Mason stand at the head with a mark of 94 for the league games rolled thus far. Ford and Regnier are close behind with 93. The team and individual figures computed through Saturday are as follows:

TEAM STANDING

	Won	Lost	P.C.
Wamesits	20	8	71.4
Oregons	20	8	71.4
South Ends	18	10	64.2
Bohemians	17	11	60.7
Dodgers	17	11	60.7
Lincolns	10	18	35.7
Superbas	8	19	32.1
Beamers	6	22	21.4

The individual averages over 85 are as follows:

Nelson 94, Mason 94, Ford 93, Regnier 93, Feyler 92, Laue 91, Jenkins 91, Shelvey 91, Atkinson 91, Downey 90, Green 90, Baxter 89, McKinley 89, Donohue 89, Lees 88, Quinn 88, Holmes 88, Gill 88, Jordan 88, McDonald 88, O'Heir 88, Horndahl 88, Reyer 88, Whitelock 88, Mullin 87, Spane 87, McMahan 87, Carty 87 Underwood 86, O'Brien 86 Dow 86, O'Neil 86, Murphy 85, Schonbohm 85, Phelps 85, Chadwick 85, Kinney 85.

SHIP THROUGH CANAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Panama advices received here today state that consideration has been quietly given to a proposition to put the United States ship Buffalo or some other government vessel through the Panama canal on Wednesday as Col. Goethals' Christmas gift to the American people

BOWLERS SCARCE

Few Games Rolled Off Last Night—Brownies Win a Close Game From Cubs

The Superbas went down to defeat last night before the U. S. Cartridge Shop bowlers, losing every string and the total by the score of 1335 to 1259. O'Brien of the winners was high man, with 274, while his teammate, Gleason, rolled the highest single of 99.

Two games were rolled off in the Saco-Lowell league. The Foundry Five outbowled the Draftsmen and the Pattern Shop won from the Chippers. The high score of the two games was made by Demers of the Foundry.

The Brownies won one of the closest games of the season last night in the Concord league when they defeated the Cubs by a two pin margin. The Brownies were beaten badly until the last string, when they rallied and pulled out a winner. J. Clark of the losing team was high man. The scores:

U. S. Cartridge—Gleason 268, Dulligan 263, Calvert 272, Quirk 258, O'Brien 274; totals 1335.

Superbas—Lynch 250, Baxter 253, Underwood 245, Arnold 242, Nelson 269; totals 1259.

Brownies—McCann 253, Cooney 268, Concannon 274, Finnerty 246, P. Clark 274; totals 1204.

Cubs—J. Clark 236, Quinlan 247, Phelps 255, Eastham 243, Smith 374; totals 1302.

Pattern Shop—Shatne 216, Shaw 265, Goulart 241, Grant 257, Thurber 255; totals 1267.

Shippers—Boardman 239, Welcome 234, Monahan 272, Sub 232, Sub 238; totals 1215.

Draftsmen—Collins 256, Wondles 261, McKittrick 236, Judd 264, Woodman 256; totals 1273.

Foundry—Brock 264, Desaulniers 257, Proux 242, Demers 289, Sub 236; totals 1294.

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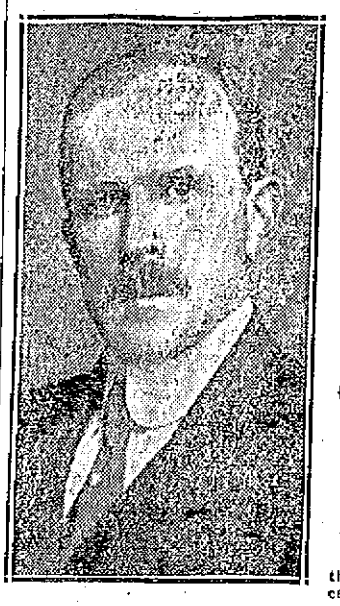
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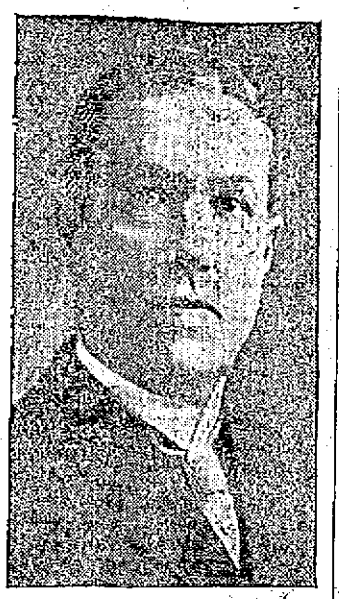
Chairman Flather, Pres. Bowen and Other Leaders Delighted

The members of the Y. M. C. A. campaign committee gathered in the gymnasium last night to hear final reports and for a jollification meeting after the great victory in which they raised more than enough money to pay off the debt that has been incurred during the past year. Everyone present was happy and was there with the intention of having a good time, but none had forgotten the important part that others had taken to make the campaign a success and each man expressed his gratitude to all who were interested in the result of the recent campaign.

After supper was served Chairman Flather arose and with brief remarks called for any amounts that had been received since the adjournment of the noon meeting. Several subscriptions were reported, including a number from the boys making a total of $792.56 or over $82,000 for the building fund. The different captains and members of the teams were cheered and all stood up and sang "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow," to music furnished by Cushman's orchestra.

The chairman of the various committees were then called upon and they thanked the men who had worked under their direction and who had given the greater part of their time during the past ten days toward the Y. M. C. A. The chairmen of the committees were: Business men, Burton E. Wiggin; young business men W. H. Hoyt; citizens, S. H. Thompson.

Mr. Flather then called upon Asa C. Russell, who as a member of the



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RECORD COTTON OUTPUT

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The mill consumption of cotton in the United States for 1913 was the largest in the history of the country and the value of cotton goods of domestic manufacture exported was greater than for any previous year, the census bureau reported today, in announcing statistics showing the supply and distribution of cotton.

With a supply of 16,225,734 running bales, the domestic consumption was 6,526,330 bales or 35.9 per cent; the exports 8,806,966 or 54.2 per cent, and stocks remaining at the close of the cotton year were 1,598,438 bales or 9.9 per cent. The mill consumption exceeded that of 1912, the previous largest year, by 419,747 bales, and the exports were 1,886,293 bales less than 1912. Stocks on hand Aug. 31 represented about seven weeks' supply for the American mills.

Spindles designed primarily for cotton numbered 32,149,617, a net increase of 506,938 over 1912.

Massachusetts leads all other states, having 11,075,584 or 34.5 per cent; South Carolina ranks second with 4,336,352; North Carolina third with 3,593,999.

Next in order are Rhode Island, Georgia, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Maine and Alabama, all of which have as many as a million spindles.

The value of cotton goods of domestic manufacture exported amounted to $53,743,377. Exports of cotton cloth, which amounted to 444,729,241 square yards, were valued at $30,668,234.

The value of cotton goods imported amounted to $63,935,983.

The United Kingdom, Germany, France and Switzerland, in the order named, contributed the largest amounts, furnishing 95 per cent of the total.

The estimated number of active cotton spindles in the world for the year ending Aug. 31 is 143,398,000, an increase of 37,717,000 or 35.7 per cent since 1900.

Of the total 55,653,000 or 38.6 per cent are in the United Kingdom; 31,520,000 or 22 per cent in the United States; 11,156,000 in Germany; 9,351,000 in Russia; 7,400,000 in France, and 6,084,000 in India. The total mill consumption of cotton for the year is placed at 21,542,000 bales.

The United States with 5,736,000 bales leads all other countries, the United Kingdom with 4,440,000 bales being second.

CO. K IN THE LEAD

DEFEATED CO. M IN EVERY BRANCH OF ARMORY ATHLETICS LAST NIGHT—STANDING OF COMPANIES

Company K went to the front last night in the armory league when it took all twelve points from Company M. The K boys won in all three branches of the military tournament, bowling, shooting and basketball.

Company K now has a lead of eight points over her nearest competitor, Company G. This year's race is certain to prove the hottest contest for premier honors that the Armory has seen since the inauguration of the league.

Company M was completely outclassed on the alleys, losing the bowling match by the score of 1313 to 1210. Captain Greig of the leaders rolled the highest total of 285 and the high single of 101.

In the shooting K also showed undeniable superiority, winning this event by the score of 352 to 297. Sergeant Cashin's mark of 80 was the best made last night.

The basketball game was a grand struggle from first to last with the K quintet of basket shooters leading at the conclusion of the game by the score of 19 to 16. Keough and Brennan both scored four baskets from the floor. The fouls recorded against the losers helped the K team materially. The lineup and summary of the various sports is as follows:

Standing

	Won	Lost
Company K	41	7
Company G	33	7
Company C	10	33
Company M	4	36

Bowling

Company K—Greig, 285; Hart, 236; Pauly, 262; Knight, 282; Sub, 278; total, 1313.

Company M—Mack, 261; Curtis, 226; Wallace, 218; Sullivan, 243; Sub, 230; total, 1210.

Shooting

COMPANY K

Musician Greeley	78
Sergeant Cashin	80
Lieutenant Masters	66
Musician Carll	66
Cook Courtney	66
Total	352

COMPANY M

Cook Kirk	59
Lieutenant Christian	72
Musician Callahan	70
Sergeant Collins	53
Sergeant Coleman	49
Total	297

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Basketball

CO. K	CO. M
Keough, rf	lb, Gleason
Fahey, lf	b, McDermott
Huntley, c	c, Brennan
Dyer, rb	lf, Moran
Hiltz, Mann, lb	rf Mills

Score: K 19; M, 16. Fouls: K 6; M, 11. Baskets: Keough 4, Brennan 4, Mills 3, Dyer 2, Mann. Referee, Wilson; timers, Cooney and Lieutenant Waller; scorer, Crowell.

DIAMOND NOTES

Duffy Lewis has a waistcoat that would dazzle and delight Chubby Charley Waistcoat Murphy of the Cubs. Murphy squanders as much money on fancy vests in a year as he pays some of his players, but he never obtained a waistcoat that could hold a candle to Lewis' latest. The garment is made of velvet and has diamond set buttons. If Lewis is ever traded, by all means let Chubby Charley have him.

The official batting averages for the American association show Henri Rondeau, the Woonsocket Frenchman, formerly with Jesse Burkett at Worcester and later with the Detroit Tigers, batting for .378 in 19 game, the past season, but the real leader of the association was Larry Chappelle of Milwaukee, later acquired by Jimmy Callahan of the Chicago White Sox, who hit in 55 games for .340. Eddie Eayrs, the one-time Brown college pitcher, was second in the list of A. A. swatters, hitting .372 in 27 contests. "Lena" Blackburne, former Worcester shortstop, hit .266 in 165 games for Milwaukee.

Morton F. Plant, millionaire owner of the New London baseball club, has a treat in store for the 1914 baseball team. Through Gene McCann, manager, he announces that the team will train at Tampa, Fla., the winter home of the club owner. The squad will leave about March 10. It is the first time in history that a small league team was afforded the opportunity of a real southern trip as a means of being conditioned for the ensuing campaign. Of course Springfield has been to Asbury Park, N. J., but Tampa! That's big league stuff.

Tyrus Raymond Cobb, according to a letter received at Detroit, has branched out as an inventor, with a baseball bat, an implement with whose use he is considered fairly familiar, the subject of his experiments and improvements. And, according to his claims, the new model that he has developed is going to increase the batting averages next season. As Cobb himself has hit over .400 on his grand average for the past three years, and presumably will be one of the users of the new bat, his words are not cheering to the major league boxmen.

This bat's point of difference from other bludgeon's lies in the fact that it has a layer of cork applied to the handle, inset so that it is flush with the wood. It eliminates the stinging of the hands, and enables the batsman to get a better grip. Use of tape, which frequently blisters a batter's hands, is, of course, done away with. Cobb has experimented with the bat at Augusta, and says that the protection it gives the hands cannot be estimated until one has tried it.

Nothing in the rules prevents the use of a bat of this sort, as long as it complies with the provisions in regard to length, diameter and weight. As Tyrus is interested in a sporting goods concern that manufactures and markets baseball paraphernalia, he will turn over the model to that house, so that the new bat can be displayed with the standard sticks when the spring rush for baseball goods begins.

Tinker has a high opinion of Manager Robinson of the Brooklyns. In a Chicago interview Tinker says that Robbie will be a successful team leader and that it will be a pleasure to work under him.

"Robinson is a fine fellow personally," says the Dodgers' star shortstop, "and he knows baseball from top to bottom. He was of great assistance to McGraw and at the head of the Brooklyn team he will employ McGraw's methods. When Bobbie gets hold of the Brooklyn pitchers in the spring he will first put them in perfect physical condition so that they can stand the hardest kind of work. He knows how to improve a pitcher's work and how to use the boxmen in rotation.

"Unless I am mistaken, Robbie will institute up to date methods of team play at the bat. He believes in doing the unexpected, which is real baseball. Last season the Brooklyns played the old straightaway game, which was easily solved by their opponents. Everybody knew their signs and yet the system never was changed. Cutshaw is one of the best young second baseemen in the game and I feel sure that I will be able to work with him successfully. Red Smith is a good third baseman while Daubert is in a class by himself.

"Robinson will have two great catchers in Miller and Fischer, a first class outfield with Wheat, Stengel, Collins or Riggert in the lineup, while I firmly believe that Rucker, Ragan and Reulbach, backed up by some fine youngsters, will provide plenty of first class pitching. When the Brooklyns get into smooth working order they will make it extremely interesting for the other National league teams, particularly the Giants."

Robinson is reported to be after a veteran player to act as assistant coach. If Kid Gleason can get away from the Chicago White Sox he will be engaged. If not Robinson may sign Duke Farrell, the former catcher of the Giants, Brooklyns and Red Sox.

CHINESE LABOR

41 White Seamen Dismissed and Chinamen Substituted

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 23.—Forty-one white seamen aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia were dismissed yesterday and Chinese labor was substituted.

In accordance with marine regulations the company will pay the passages home to Liverpool of all members of the crew who were recruited there. The intermediate steamers of the line previously substituted Chinese for white seamen.

DEXY REPORT FROM PANAMA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Officials of the Isthmian canal commission have not heard of a plan to put a ship through the Panama canal as a Christmas gift to the American people. Private advices from Panama reported such a plan was quietly being considered by Colonel Goethals. Latest reports to headquarters here do not indicate that the latest Cucaracha slide has been sufficiently removed to permit a ship to pass.

HONOR SENATOR SIMMONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Senator Simmons of North Carolina, who successfully piloted the democratic tariff bill through the senate, will be presented this week with an autographed and handsomely bound copy of the new tariff law. The bill contains autographed notes of appreciation from President Wilson, Vice-President Marshall and several senators, in addition to the autographed signatures of all members of the senate.

CROUP AND COUGH REMEDY

Croup is a terrible disease as attacks children so suddenly they are very apt to choke unless given the proper remedy at once. There is nothing better in the world than Dr. King's New Discovery. Lewis Chamberlain, of Manchester, Ohio, writes about his children: "Sometimes in severe attacks we were afraid they would die, but since we proved what a certain remedy Dr. King's New Discovery is, we have no fear. We rely on it for croup, coughs and colds." So can you. 50c and $1.00. A bottle should be in every home. At all druggists. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia, St. Louis.

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Boys' Rubbers, Extension Heels.....49c

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$1.98

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$1.89

Men's $1 Heavy 1-Buckle Rolled Sole and Heel Overshoes. Special, pair..... 98c

Heavy 4 Buckles, pair $1.98

Rolled Sole and Heel Rubbers—
Men's, pair.....75c
Boys', pair.....55c
Women's, pair.....49c
Misses', pair.....45c
Children's, pair.....39c

EXPLOSION KILLS MAN

Large Tank in East Cambridge Viscol Plant Burst Into Flames —Two Dying

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—An explosion of a large tank of waterproofing fluid, which killed one man instantly and left two others so seriously burned that there is no hope for their recovery, threw the whole operating force of the East Cambridge factory of the Viscol company into a panic yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock.

The jar of the explosion, the screams of the unfortunate men whose clothes were saturated by the stream of liquid fire which belched forth from the tank, and the crash of shattered glass which followed the detonation, sent men and women tumbling over each other in the first wild rush for the stairways and exits. Men jumped from windows of the second floor, some of them without stopping to raise the sashes.

Martin Flanigan of 19 1-2 Durham street, Somerville, was instantly killed and his body burned to a crisp.

Patrick Flanigan, Martin's brother, who lives at 19 Prescott street, Somerville, is thought to be dying at the Cambridge relief hospital from burns about his head, face and arms.

Edward Nester, of 101 Russell street, Charlestown, is also at the Cambridge relief hospital on the dangerous list and the doctors say there is no chance for him to live more than a few days. His body from the neck down is a mass of burns.

As soon as the first dressings had been applied to the injuries of the latter two men, last night, the Rev. Dennis W. Brown of St. Mary's church, Cambridge, was summoned to administer the last rites of the church.

According to Medical Examiner William D. Swan and Adolph Sommer, owner of the factory, the explosion was caused by the bursting of an electric light bulb in the hands of Martin Flanigan, as he peered into the tank. The tank held hundreds of gallons of clarol, one of the various kinds of waterproofing fluids which is manufactured by the Viscol company. The tank where the disaster occurred was one of three large storage tanks. This tank rests on the first floor and rises up through an opening in the second floor which is slightly larger than the tank.

Martin Flanigan's body, burned beyond recognition, was hurled 20 feet away from the tank. Nestor, who was near by, was completely enveloped in the flaming gas. He was knocked, unconscious, to the floor. The flames and the force of the explosion tore nearly all the flesh from his hands.

Patrick Flanigan, Martin's elder brother, was near the base of the tank on the first floor. Half stunned by the force of the explosion, he instinctively looked upward. He was blinded by a deluge of flaming clarol which came down from above. His ears were burned from his head. Although he was burned only about the head and arms, the burns were so deep that his name is on the dangerous list.

In the room next to the tank room about 20 women and several men were at work. Immediately all was in an uproar. Frank Viera of 181 Dudley street, Roxbury, in his haste to reach safety plunged through a pane of glass in a window and received a deep gash in his right arm. He was treated at the relief hospital and allowed to go home. In the rush for the windows and stairways, many were knocked down and bruised, but no one was seriously injured.

HOLIDAY TO SAVE BANKS

PROVISIONAL PRESIDENT HUERTA STOPS PAYING OF MONEY IN MEXICO UNTIL NEW YEAR'S

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 23.—By a presidential decree issued yesterday afternoon, every day, until the end of the present year is made a legal holiday in order to check the runs on the banks here, particularly that on the Bank of London and Mexico.

On the promulgation of this decree, the Bank of London and Mexico opened its doors, but refrained from paying deposits.

Provisional President Huerta, in the decree, says he deems such action necessary in order to protect the banks until public confidence is more nearly restored. The banks by this decree are absolved from meeting any obligation until Jan. 2. It applies to all banking houses, whether a bank of issue or not.

With the exception of the Bank of London and Mexico and the Central bank, none has yet taken advantage of the decree and business at the other institutions is being conducted as usual. Crowds gathered about the doors of the two banks mentioned, but there was no disorder. Both banks are being guarded by a strong force of police.

Everybody to Asso., Xmas eve.

REV. EDMUND CORNELL

FORMER PASTOR OF ST. ANDREW'S, NO. BILLERICA, GOES TO CHURCH AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Rev. Edmund J. Cornell, O. M. I., former pastor of St. Andrew's church, North Billerica, and later connected with the Sacred Heart church, Lowell, has been assigned to the position of assistant pastor of St. Benedict's church, Seattle, Wash. The reverend gentleman left this city Sunday, but before reporting for duty he will visit relatives in various places in Canada.

Rev. Fr. Cornell was pastor of St. Andrew's church, North Billerica, for four years and completed his work a short time ago when the cardinal appointed a secular priest in charge of the church. During his stay in Billerica the clergyman made a host of friends, who unite in wishing him success in his new field. Fr. Cornell in his new field will be associated with two former Lowell priests, Rev. Eugene A. Dorgan, O. M. I., former pastor of the Immaculate Conception church, and Rev. Patrick McGrath, O. M. I., another former priest of the same parish.

Fr. Cornell recently conducted a week's retreat at the Sacred Heart church and it proved a great success. He is very well known in this city and his numerous friends wish him success in his new field.

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LAWYER HELD

Faces Indictment Alleging the Larceny of $10,000 in Securities

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Herbert E. Dennison, 45 years old, of 19 Aberdeen street, an attorney and member of the Boston bar, wanted on an indictment warrant issued a few days ago charging larceny of securities valued at $10,000, surrendered to Inspector Silas Waite late yesterday afternoon after learning that he was wanted.

After a period of grace under the custody of Inspector Waite, during which he failed to get bail, Dennison was sent to Charles street jail, awaiting arraignment.

The warrant secured by Bernard E. Carbin, attorney for Mrs. Flora E. Allen of 142 Huntington avenue, states that Dennison in 1908 and 1909 fraudulently represented the standing of the United States Construction and Supply company, of which he was president, and took the securities in exchange for stock in the company. The securities are said to be 35 shares of Union Pacific railroad stock, 30 shares in the Safety Car Heating and Lighting company, and three bonds for $1000 in the Chicago and North Michigan railroad.

The United States Construction and Supply company was restrained from doing business by the United States supreme court, on Nov. 20, 1910, for non-payment of corporation taxes, and on May 24, 1912, the International Trust company of 45 Milk street, holders of a trustee's mortgage, foreclosed it, selling the effects of the company at auction. The stock and bonds of the company are worthless according to the complaint.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intentions have been recorded at City Clerk Flynn's office since the last were published:

Paul R. Staples, 27, operative, 7 Bleachery street, and Hazel M. Saunders, 24, burler, 65 St. James street.

James F. McCormack, 22, shoe cutter, 6 Dane street, and Gertrude H. Bird, 18, at home, 530 School street.

Charles McQueen, 22, folder, 883 Gorham street, and Lillian Fowler, 24, operative, same address.

Arthur Pintal, 20, hosiery, 367 Moody street, and Delia Gagny 18, hosiery, 3 Dalton street.

Joao de Castro, 23, operative, 26 Charles street, and Ludorina de Jesus, 22, operative, same address.

Lawrence Rabourin, 19, electrician, 21 Tremont street, and Aldea Lambert, 19, operative, 129 East Merrimack street.

Leroy C. Bliss, 22, steamfitter, Chelmsford, and Charlotte B. Baker, 20, at home, 288 Westford street.

Clement Lafortune, 24, clerk, Hall street, and Marie A. Dufresne, 20, hosiery, 182 Hall street.

Frank E. Wing, 25, fireman, 704 Merrimack street, and Annabelle Johnston, 29, weaver, 20 West Ninth street.

Eugene Corcoran, 25, shoe shop, 704 Merrimack street, and Mathilde Lafontoine, 18, hosiery, 447 Moody street.

Emile E. Paquin, 19, shoe shop, 135 White street, and Alice R. Bouland, 19, operative, 120 Aiken street.

William Dyer, 24 teamster, 154 Smith street, and Mary A. Teague, 23, spooler, same address.

Edgar Kennedy, 18, machinist, Tyngsboro, and Irene E. Davis, 18, at home, 62 Middlesex street.

William Hennessy, 39, operative, 8 Tilden street, and Lizzie Pepin, 27, housekeeper, same address.

John J. Whittaker, 45, woolsorter, 25 Cornell street, and Charlotte M. Dawson, 43, at home, Tyngsboro.

Charles Marcotte, 22, laborer, 190 Hall street, and Delvina Veillotte, 19, hosiery, 8 Race street.

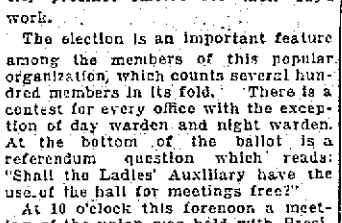
Arthur H. Rogers, 27, machinist, 27 Wilson street, and Annie E. Kelly, 24, weaver, 418 Middlesex street.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned wish to express their heartfelt thanks to their many friends and neighbors; also to the teachers of the Bartlett school who showed their sympathy by floral offerings and words of consolation during their sad bereavement. In the account of the funeral the following names were inadvertently omitted: Miss Delina McKenzie, Miss Jessie McKenzie and Miss Bell Wood. To these and all others we are deeply grateful and will ever remember their kindness.

Mrs. Catherine Judge.
Miss Alice T. Judge.

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STREET RY. MEN'S UNION

Balloting for New Officers Today —Two Opposing Tickets in the Field

This is a busy day among street car employes, for the Street Car Men's union, division, 280, is today holding the annual election of officers. The polls were opened at 10 o'clock this forenoon and the voting will come to a close at 6 o'clock this evening. The regular Australian ballot is being used, and three precinct officers, all members of the union, are in attendance all day. These men receive the same pay as the city precinct officers for their day's work.

The election is an important feature among the members of this popular organization, which counts several hundred members in its fold. There is a contest for every office with the exception of day warden and night warden. At the bottom of the ballot is a referendum question which reads: "Shall the Ladies' Auxiliary have the use of the hall for meetings free?"

At 10 o'clock this forenoon a meeting of the union was held with President Fred Crowley in the chair. Considerable routine business was transacted and at the close of the meeting the polls were opened. A similar meeting will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, at which time the result of the election will be announced.

President Fred Crowley, who is now serving his first term as the head of the association is in line for reelection, and his friends say he is a sure winner, for he has made a very efficient president and the union prospered under his administration. The keenest contest, however, is for secretary-treasurer, this position being made vacant by the resignation of Charles Gallagher, who held the position for six consecutive years, but who recently left the road after being appointed assistant sealer of weights and measures.

The candidates for election are as follows:

President, Fred Crowley, John Griffin.

Vice president: Thomas H. Maroney, Joseph Powers.

Recording secretary: John J. Kelly Timothy Mack.

Secretary-treasurer: Frank Wright, Thomas Sullivan, Fred McEnaney.

Janitor: Patrick Lowe.

Day warden: Thomas Griffin.

Night warden: M. O'Brien.

Correspondent for "motorman and conductor:" Frank Toohey, Norman Messer.

Board of trustees: John Lyons, Emerson McLean, Joseph Shaw, Anders Holmstedt.

Executive board: Thomas Powers, Patrick Fells, Michael W. Regan, Martin McNamara, William Hardman, Thos. Holden, Henry Bent, Edward Donnelly.

The precinct officers are: J. Quinlan, E. Marshall and David Gleason.

WHAT RED CROSS SEALS DO

Every Red Cross Christmas Seal that is sold is a real bullet in the fight against tuberculosis. These seals last year helped to support thousands of needy tuberculosis patients and to give them a chance for life. They provided for many visiting nurses, whose hundreds of thousands visits brought instruction and cheer to numerous patients. They helped maintain dispensaries in scores of cities from the Atlantic to the Pacific, where thousands of consumptive patients receive free treatment, aid and advice. They provided the means to purchase millions of copies of circulars, pamphlets and other literature with which the public has been educated about tuberculosis. They have established and helped to maintain more than 150 open-air schools for children who needed open-air treatment. These are just a few of the ways in which the $100,000 received last year was expended. This year $1,000,000 is needed. Surely every one can help by buying at least ten seals.

The Lowell Guild is the local agency for the Red Cross stamps.

THE POST OFFICE

The busiest place in Lowell today is the postoffice. Thousands of packages of parcels post matter and pieces of first class matter are being received and sent out hourly and every man in the employ of this department is hustling as he never hustled before.

The rush last night was so great that it was some time after 8 o'clock the usual closing hour, when the stamp windows were closed. At 8 o'clock there was a long line of people who failed to heed the injunction to "Do Your Christmas Mailing Early" attempting to reach each of the windows and the stamps were sold and parcels post packages received until the lines dwindled down. Tonight the regular windows will be open until 8 o'clock and then the night windows will be in operation until 12. However, the earlier one arrives at the postoffice to purchase stamps or send packages the less time he will have to spend standing in the lobby.

Although no exact estimate can be secured, it is evident that far more business is being transacted at the post office this Christmas season than ever before. Tons of parcels post matter has been received here for delivery and like reports are received from other cities throughout the country. The number of packages handled during the past two weeks will run up into the thousands and hundreds of sacks are being transferred daily between the office on Gorham street and the B. & M. station. Extra men have been put to work, more space has been secured and extra teams have been placed on the parcel post delivery system so that everything possible is being done to avert delay in handling either mail of parcels post matter.

TWO DROWNED

PETERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 23.—Joseph Kennedy of Albany, N. Y., and C. A. McLaughlin of Lynchburg, Va., were drowned in the Appomattox river here last night and H. W. Belden of White Plains, N. Y., had a narrow escape. The men were standing on the wharf when McLaughlin stumbled and fell into the water. In trying to rescue him Kennedy and Belden were thrown into the water. The bodies were recovered.

MAY BE CALLED TO COURT

Attorney General Will Compel Lowell to Build a Contagious Hospital

Attorney General Swift has filed the necessary papers asking for a writ of mandamus to compel the city of Lowell to come into the supreme court and show why the law has not been lived up to in the matter of the erection of a contagious disease hospital.

It may be that the attorney general is not aware of the fact that the municipal council has selected a site, or perhaps he is not disposed to take any chances. The matter has been hanging fire for years and he thinks perhaps that it is about time to force the issue. He has also haled the city of Gloucester into court, for that city, too, has failed to obey the law.

TO HOLD BANQUET

The ways and means committee of the fourth degree, K. of C., held a meeting in the council chambers last evening and decided to conduct a banquet for their lady friends and members on Tuesday evening, Jan. 20. The plans as arranged last evening are to make the affair, which will be the first of its kind ever held by this branch of the council, one of the most successful banquets ever held in this city. The committee is composed of men, very familiar with this line of work, and all are working zealously to make the affair one to be long remembered by all who attend.

Miner's latest, Asso., Xmas eve.

PRESIDENT AT PLANTING OF THE "WILSON ELM" AT WHITE HOUSE



WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson assisted in the planting of an elm tree on the White House grounds, which will be known as the "Wilson elm." It takes the place of the so-called "Cleveland elm," which planted by President Rutherford B. Hayes, was blown down in a storm last July. The illustration shows President Wilson throwing shovelfuls of dirt into the hole in which the tree was planted.

Latest Local and Telegraphic News of the World

DROP 50 IN STREET DEPT.

Mayor O'Donnell Receives Strong Letter From Architect Stickney in Favor of Pillsbury Site

Today about fifty men were laid off in the street department. They had been employed mainly on laying cinder sidewalks and cleaning streets. The regular men who have been on the paving and macadam work finished the jobs on hand yesterday and will attend to the work of the men who have been laid off.

Favoring Pillsbury Site

Mayor O'Donnell has received a number of communications favoring the selection of the Dr. Pillsbury estate as a site for a contagious disease hospital. This morning he received the following letter from Architect Frederick W. Stickney:

Lowell, Dec. 22, 1913.

Hon. James E. O'Donnell, Mayor:

My Dear Mr. O'Donnell—I want to write just a line in behalf of the Dr. Pillsbury estate for a contagious hospital. This note was suggested by myself to Dr. Pillsbury, and not by any request from him.

I know the construction of the house as an architect, although I did not design it. It was built by the day, has a double air space all around the outside, making it warm in winter and cool in summer. It would make an ideal administration building. I know that the house itself (not figuring in cost of land, grading, stable and other improvements) cost what it is now assessed for. It is certainly an ideal location, and is far away from everybody so as to make it isolated. It is not in a valley, but way above the river, with a fine system of drainage, a pure water supply, etc. It is also the nearest location of any lot, or building, that has yet been suggested, to the centre of the city.

I have, as you know, no possible personal interest in the matter. If I had I should not think of writing to you. Aside from my friendship with the doctor, I feel that as a citizen, taxpayer and architect of some experience that this location should be carefully considered. I am, Sir,

Most respectfully yours,
Frederick W. Stickney.

Hotel Alterations

According to a permit taken out at the office of the superintendent of buildings at city hall this forenoon, the Arlington hotel at the corner of Central and Hurd streets is about to undergo extensive alterations. The hotel belongs to the P. Dempsey estate and the application for the permit states that the alterations and additions will include the rebuilding of the building now used as a shine parlor, the putting in of plate glass windows and a new metal exterior. Other improvements will include new floors and new roofs.

A permit was granted Mary J. Murphy this morning for repairs and alterations to a building at 192-194 Suffolk street. The permit calls for interior alterations including three toilets, one on each floor.

DATE CHANGED

Lowell Club in Montreal to be Inaugurated on Fourth of January

The date of the inauguration of the new Lowell club recently organized in Montreal, Que., which had been set for Sunday, January 11, at the request of several residents of this city, who intend to attend the festivities, has been changed to Sunday, January 4, according to a notice received at The Sun this morning.

This club was formed among residents of the Spindle City and, the organization now counts 65 members. When the news of the organization of a Lowell club in the Canadian metropolis was announced in the columns of The Sun, many prominent men of this city signified their intention of going to Montreal, if the date of the celebration could be changed so that they could have the benefit of the mid-winter excursion to Montreal and uebec, and a word to that effect was sent to the organizer of the club, Rodolphe J Vigneault, and his reply that the date had been changed to January 4 was received this morning.

The Lowell men who will make the trip will leave here on Dec. 31, and it is believed will return on the following Tuesday morning. Many will take advantage of this trip to visit relatives in the Dominion and the excursion promises to be an interesting one.

THE CHRISTMAS DINNER

PRICE OF TURKEY IS LOWER—THAT OF CHICKEN, DUCKS, ETC., UNCHANGED

It will be good news for many to learn that the price of turkey has dropped several cents since Thanksgiving day, and that this fancy bird can be purchased for the Christmas dinner for prices varying from 21½ to 30 cents a pound, while in the latter part of November fancy turkeys were retailed at 35 cents per pound.

Some birds, however, which are also being advertised as Vermont turkeys, can be purchased much cheaper, and some of the merchants are ready to retail them at 24 cents a pound. Fowl and chickens as well as geese and ducks sell at the old prices, that is, chickens are being advertised at from 25 to 28 cents per pound, while fowl retail from 20 to 24 cents per pound. Ducks and geese vary from 18 to 20 cents per pound.

The fixings, including potatoes, celery and cranberries have kept their prices, while fruit is continually going up. Apples, although grown in plenty in this part of the country, are pretty scarce on the market, the reason for this being that large amounts were shipped to other centres. Oranges have gone up a few cents, while nuts are about the same as at Thanksgiving.

The principal article on the menu on Christmas day is generally the turkey and inasmuch as that has gone down in price several cents, it is a fact that the dinner will be much cheaper than it was on the last holiday.

STORM WARNING

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The local weather bureau today received the following special from Washington:

Southeast storm warnings ordered displayed at 10.30 a. m. from Cape Henry to Boston. Disturbance over Ohio valley moving eastward; will cause increasing easterly winds this afternoon and tonight, shifting to northwest Wednesday with rain and fog.

$100,000 LOSS BY FIRE

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Damage estimated at $100,000 was caused to the distributing plant of the George H. and Philip Leib Co., dealers in mill and plumbing supplies here, early today by fire of unknown origin.

POLICE COURT

Many Offenders Were Before Judge Enright for Drunkenness

The unique spectacle of a man fully togged in Wild West regalia, with the exception of a Colt's six gun, was presented last night on the streets of this city by Joseph Pepin.

With a belt full of wicked looking cartridges and the cuffs and swagger of a full-fledged cow puncher, Pepin proceeded to show his friends how he behaved when he was a "hard guy" as he himself termed it.

Officer Simon Lane stopped the antics of Pepin, however, and took him to the station. On account of the fact that the defendant has a wife and two children depending upon him for support Judge Enright placed his case on file with a warning not to be brought in again.

Gilbert Cyr is an old man, but he still likes his alcoholic stimulants, which fact landed him in police court today. Officer Regan testified that the defendant entertained a crowd of companions at his house three or four times a week and that on the majority of these occasions they all got drunk. Last night Cyr was helplessly drunk and had to be carried into the patrol. On account of the man's age the court allowed him to depart with a suspended sentence of three months in jail hanging over his head.

John A. Landry appeared this morning on a drunkenness charge for the third time within a year. Officers Breault and Regan told the court that the defendant was very drunk and boisterous, but Landry asserted with heat that he was absolutely sober. To be sure he had taken two glasses of beer and perhaps three or four, but he was not drunk. However, Judge Enright ordered the defendant to pay over a fine of $15.

Jeremiah Mahoney was given a jail sentence of two months for drunkenness. Daniel McCleary was sent to the same place for ten days. McCleary was also drunk.

David S. Booth and Minnie Lablanc were given direct sentences on a statutory charge this morning. Captain Atkinson and Patrolman McMannon arrested the pair in the Hon Marche building early Saturday morning. Booth was given a six months' sentence to the house of correction and the girl was sent to jail for three months.

The case of Michael Shamus and Najab Hayeck, charged with disturbing the peace, held the court until well past the noon hour today and proved the most interesting feature of this morning's docket.

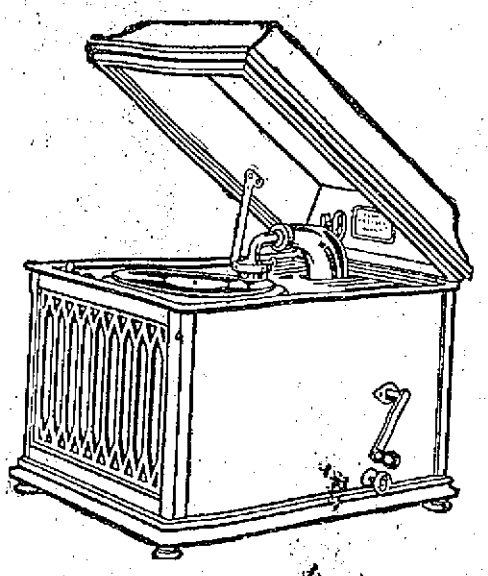
The two men were engaged in a fight in Middlesex street near Perry's court when an officer who was riding by in the car jumped in between them and arrested Shamus. The officer gave a description of the events which took place after his arrival, the most salient point being that after he had stepped in between the two men Shamus tried to strike Hayeck.

Shamus was placed upon the witness stand and examined by his lawyer. In answering his attorney's questions he said that he was only arrested once. William A. Hogan, Esq., who appeared for Hayeck, then went into his police court record and disclosed the fact that Shamus has appeared on four occasions. Mr. Hogan gave the witness a severe grilling.

The trouble started, it seems, when a nephew of Shamus went to the fruit store of Hayeck and rubbed off some of the fruit. Shamus claimed that Hayeck struck the child while Hayeck said that he simply sent the youngster home.

However it was, the two men got into a great tangle over it. Shamus, Dr. Brady said, was suffering from a ruptured ear drum when he called on him the following Monday, and Hayeck had a finger badly chewed by Shamus.

The case dragged along with several witnesses appearing for Shamus. Both attorneys made a long summing up of the case. Judge Enright found Hayeck not guilty and ordered his discharge. Shamus was found guilty and ordered to pay a fine of $25. He appealed and was held in $300 bail for the next session of the superior court.



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PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The Rev. David Tully, who is active in the ministry at the age of 95, preached a Christmas sermon before the Presbyterian Ministerial association here today. Dr. Tully took for his subject: "The Order of Christ's Priesthood." He spoke without notes, his voice was clear and strong. The venerable clergyman has been in the active ministry more than 63 years. He is the regular Sunday preacher in Calvary Presbyterian church at Highland, Pa.

All up to Asso., Xmas eve.

THE PLAYHOUSE

"A Trip to the Sun," such is the name of the musical comedy which is being presented at the Playhouse by the "Sunshine Girls" this week. The first performance of this catchy piece was given yesterday before a large audience, and from the start the audience was kept in merriment. The chorus selections as well as the solo parts are numerous and well handled. The comedy is created principally by Harry Landor, John Hanson and Teddy Joyce, old men in the business, who know how to please their audience.

The solo work of the musical program is contributed largely by Miss Sutherland, Miss Glasco, Miss Rhodes, Miss Clifford, Miss Ardrie, Miss Ferguson and Miss Zola. In the living pictures this week, Miss Arline Joy is seen to advantage. Her work is very commendable and also pleasing. The performance will be repeated afternoons and evenings.

TO BUILD RAILROADS

AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TWO RAILROADS IN CHINA BY GERMAN ENGINEERS

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—An agreement for the construction of two railroads in China by German engineers who are to utilize purely German materials, capital for which is to be provided by German financiers, was signed today by the Chinese foreign minister and the German minister to China at Peking.

The first line is to run from Kaomi, near Kiachow, on the Shantun railroad, southward to Hanchwang, where the Tien Tsin Puko railroad crosses the Grand canal.

The second line is to extend to the Shantun railroad from its terminus at Tsinan to Shuntch on the Hankow river.

The cost of the two undertakings is estimated at from $17,500,000 to $20,000,000.

RECORD BUTTER PRODUCTION

NEWARK, Del., Dec. 23.—What is claimed to be a record production of butter on the Delmarva peninsula has been made by "Maud H's Lass," a registered Holstein cow at the Delaware college experiment farm. Although in milk for nearly ten months, the record of this cow last week was 12 pounds of butter fat, equivalent to a little more than 14 pounds of butter. In nine months the cow has produced 16,139 pounds of milk and 663 pounds of butter.

STEAMERS TO ARRIVE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Arrived: Steamers Chicago, Havre, Czar, Libau, Halifax.

Cape Race, Dec. 23.—Steamer Philadelphia, Southampton for New York, 1540 miles east of Sandy Hook at 10.50 p. m. 22d. Dock 3.30 a. m. Saturday. Steamer La Savoie, Havre for New York 1970 miles east of Sandy Hook at 10.50 p. m. 22d. Dock 8.30 a. m. Saturday.

BOTANIST KILLED

Chas. B. Robinson Attacked by Natives of Amboyna Island

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 23.—Charles Budd Robinson, the United States government botanist, killed by natives of Amboyna island in the Malay archipelago was the only son of C. B. Robinson, one of the oldest working telegraph operators in Canada. News of his death arrived today via Manila.

Young Robinson graduated from Dalhousie university, Ontario, in 1892. He taught for several years and then, having made a study of the botany of eastern Nova Scotia, New Foundland and the lower St. Lawrence, he spent several years at Harvard university. Later he was connected with the Bronx park museum in New York. At the time of his death he was employed by the bureau of sciences of the department of the interior in the Philippines to study the flora of Amboyna island. He was 41 years old.

C. B. Robinson, Sr., is manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co's office at Pictou, N. S.

MISS WILSON TO HELP POOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Liberal donations to the "opportunities" of the Associated Charities have been made by Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president and chairman of the local branch of the Society for the Prevention of Useless Giving, according to an announcement made at the Spugs' headquarters. Miss Wilson keeps in close touch with the headquarters and is taking an active interest in the movement to care for the city's poor during Christmas.

Mrs. Wilson also is evincing a lively interest in the work.

CATTLE PERISHED IN FIRE

ELLSWORTH, Me., Dec. 23.—Twenty head of blooded cattle were lost when the barn of Dr. C. C. Morrison, a prominent resident of Bar Harbor, was burned last night at Marlaville with all its contents. The loss was placed at $7,500. The insurance was small.

OVERCOME SHOPPING

REV. DR. WHITLOCK, AGED 70, FATHER OF MAYOR OF TOLEDO, DIED AT CLEVELAND TODAY

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 23.—The Rev. Dr. Elias Whitlock, 70 years old, of Toledo, father of Mayor Brand Whitlock of Toledo and a retired Methodist clergyman, died here today. He was overcome Saturday while doing Christmas shopping with his son, William C. Whitlock of this city, with whom he expected to spend the holidays. Mayor Whitlock was with him when the end came and it was during the death watch that the mayor received word of the senate's confirmation last night of his appointment as minister of Belgium.

POOL TABLES FOR SCHOOLS

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—A resolution providing for the installation in school basements of bowling alleys and pool and billiard rooms will be introduced before the new Cleveland board of education at an early meeting. Mrs. Arnold Green, a board member, has announced that she will be sponsor for the resolution.

Mrs. Green will also set afoot the proper formalities for having school buildings used as social centers at night. A portion of the school report showing that some 13,000 Cleveland parents made visits to the schools during 1913 is evidence, she says, that parents will be sufficiently interested to make the social centre plan work successfully.

HARVARD AND PRINCETON

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Harvard and Princeton, victors respectively over Columbia and Yale in the opening games yesterday, met today in the second round of the twenty second annual intercollegiate chess tournament. Columbia was opposed by Yale.

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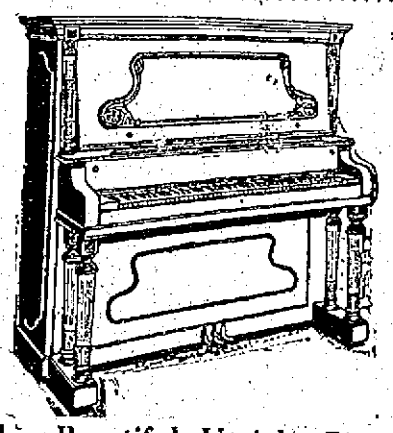
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DEATHS

RILEY—Mrs. Rose Riley, widow of the late John Riley, died yesterday at her home, 160 Cross street. She was a devout member of St. Patrick's parish. She leaves three sons, Thomas and John of Lowell and Edward of Gardner, Mass., and three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Bean and Mrs. Joseph Costello of Boston and Rose C. Riley of Lowell.

FITZPATRICK—Thomas Fitzpatrick died yesterday at 81 Newhall street. He leaves one son, Richard, and one daughter, Marion.

FUNERALS

ROCKWELL—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary B. Rockwell were held at her home, 23 C street, yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. H. W. McLean, pastor of the Highland M. E. church. The bearers were Messrs. J. H. Colburn, W. N. Mills, Charles Bicknell and F. E. Miller. Burial was in the family lot in Westford, where the burial service was read by Rev. Mr. Wallace. The flowers were many and beautiful. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

BUTLER—The funeral of Mrs. Claribel Butler, widow of James E. Butler, took place from the rooms of Undertakers J. B. Currier Co., 58 Prescott street, yesterday afternoon. The flowers were many and beautiful. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond Clapp, pastor of the First Trinitarian church, and the bearers were Messrs. Charles H. Drake, Anderson J. Ives, F. E. Butler and Herbert A. Simmons. Rev. Mr. Clapp read the committal services at the grave, and burial was in the family lot in the Pelham, N. H., cemetery. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers J. B. Currier Co.

McKENZIE—The funeral services of Mrs. Rebecca McKenzie were held yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur E. Rabeour, 781 Bridge street, Rev. F. A. Macdonald officiating. Many beautiful flowers were received from the many friends of Mrs. McKenzie. Burial took place today at Barlng, Me. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

SHARP—The funeral of Catherine Sharp took place yesterday afternoon from the rooms of Undertaker Peter H. Savage, and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The bearers were Daniel McCarthy, James Flannery, John Barden, William Gilligan and Frederick J. Lynch. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Kerrigan read the committal prayers. Undertaker Peter H. Savage had charge of the funeral arrangements.

SENATE CONFIRMS WILLIAMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—In spite of the opposition of William F. McCombs, chairman of the democratic national committee, George Fred Williams of Dedham, Mass., was confirmed by the senate last night as minister to Greece.

Mayor Brand Whitlock of Toledo, O., was confirmed as minister to Belgium. There was some opposition to Mr. Whitlock by Ohio democrats on the ground that his democracy was uncertain.

GRAFT CHARGES

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Thomas F. Kerrigan, acting as counsel for the David E. Kennedy corporation, has called on the Boston finance commission to investigate the work done in connection with the erection of the Charlestown public library, to see that the city of Boston will not be obliged to pay for material it did not get under its contract, and to further see to it that the city gets full measure of damages for the breach of contract he alleges to have been made in connection with this work.

Y. M. C. I. vs. SOUTH ENDS

Tonight in the Y. M. C. I. hall what promises to be a red hot game will be played when the South Ends, a fast aggregation representing the club of that name meet the strong Y. M. C. I. team. Both teams have been putting in some hard practice for tonight's battle and will be in good form. The teams will be picked from the following men for the South Ends: Dowd, Lyons, Gargan, Grady, McMahon, Boland, and McCarthy, for the Y. M. C. I. King, Harrington, McMahon, Haggerty, Clark, Farrell, Marren, Brennan and Cawley.

Between the periods the second teams will play and the first game will be called at 8 p. m.

STEAMER TO ARRIVE THURSDAY

SABLE ISLAND, Dec. 23.—Steamer Athinai, Piraeus for New York, 700 miles, east of Sandy Hook at 6.15 a.m. Dock 8.30 a. m. Thursday.

SEE DELAWAN COMET

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 23.—Two observations received of the Delawan comet at the Harvard observatory, one from Cordoba, Argentina, and the other from the naval observatory at Washington indicate that the celestial visitor is increasing in brilliancy and can now be seen in a small telescope. It has also a northerly movement of six minutes and 15 seconds a day.

If the comet continues to increase in brightness it may prove an interesting spectacle in the southwestern heavens this winter.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

WILLING SLAVE TALKS

Woman, Who for Three Years Lived in Secret Room of Lawyer, Says Love Was Responsible

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 23.—With the release from the Sullivan county jail probably today of Miss Adelaide A. Brance, the woman who for three years endured voluntary confinement for the sake of being the secret companion of Melvin Couch, the mystery of her identity may never be solved. She told her jailer last night that her only wish was to be permitted to leave Monticello quietly to lessen the burden of anxiety for Mrs. Couch and her daughter.

Bit by bit Sheriff Frank Kinne and George L. Cook, county prosecutors, brought out the story of Miss Brance's life with Couch, whose death was announced in so dramatic a manner Sunday at the home of Dr. J. F. Curlette, brother-in-law of the dead attorney.

It was due to the discovery of the presence of the woman by the widow when she was led to explore a room in his office her husband had always forbidden her to enter that the story became known and the manner of the life for three years of voluntary prisoner revealed.

Miss Branco told the prosecutor that many years ago she lived at Goshen, N. Y., but facts concerning her early life she withheld. After much questioning she told of her life in the little room opening off Couch's offices, of how she never went out except at night and then only when she was sure no one would see her, and how she lived on provisions brought to her by the lawyer and through it all was happy because she loved and was loved.

She said she was forty years old and had been a book agent, but stopped there except to add that it was while trying to interest Couch in a book 15 years ago that their friendship began. They met at frequent intervals after that time, she said, until about three years ago when they concluded that secret meetings that lasted a day at first could be prolonged to a week, then weeks, and finally led to her taking up living quarters in the lawyer's office.

When confronted by the widow of the man with whom she had lived in secret for so long, Miss Brance begged for forgiveness, crying piteously "I loved him; I loved him."

Although her hair is streaked with silver and her face pallid from her enforced confinement, Miss Brance's voice is well modulated and the quality of tone bespeaks education and culture.

At the county jail, Miss Brance has denied herself to all callers, saying that she desired only to be permitted to leave the scene of her love and to be forgotten.

An autopsy performed upon the body of Couch revealed that his death had been due to heart disease. The coroner's verdict was accidental death. Following the autopsy the body was taken to his late home at the request of the widow. Mrs. Couch refuses to discuss the case.

WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Final arrangements for the annual meeting of the Women's Metropolitan Golf association in this city Jan. 29 have been made. The championship tournament probably will go to the Plainfield Country club.

ASK FOR XMAS PARDONS

THREE PETITIONS BEFORE GOVERNOR AND COUNCIL—DAVIE, BOY BROKER, AMONG THEM

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Three petitions for Christmas pardons will come before the governor and council tomorrow. The most famous is that of Robert E. Davis, the "boy broker," whose case was pleaded before the council last week. The matter was postponed at the request of Lieutenant-Governor Walsh, who desired to secure the opinion of the board of paroles and pardons.

Davis has served half of a five-year sentence on the charge of misappropriation of money. His mother, who appeared before the council last week, will make another plea.

The second petition is that of George E. Hunt of Worcester, who is under conviction for attempt at bribery. He has not served any of his sentence of six months, but has paid $100 fine.

The third case is that of Charles Neal, a teamster, who has been at Deer Island since Aug. 18, under sentence of one year for larceny.

WOMEN SMUGGLE PET DOG

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Miss Grace Lloyd of California, who arrived by the Hamburg-American liner Amerika, brought a Pekinese dog about eight inches long, with a much longer pedigree, that played hide and seek in the muffs and satchels of women passengers nearly all the way across.

The rule of the ship is that dogs must be turned over to the butcher, not for conversion but for the general comfort of the passengers. This rule is not always applied to toy dogs. Miss Lloyd heard it would affect her Fo-fum so she prepared to protect it.

Capt. Schuelke sent an officer to get Fo-fum. She told the officer she did not have him. She had had a conference with other voyagers and all agreed to harbor Fo-fum in muffs and satchels until the terrible peril of the butcher had passed. When the officer left he suspected the plot and looked up other passengers. But Fo-fum was kept moving from satchel to muff and muff to satchel and got here unobserved by skipper or officer.

BLINDED BY HORSE KICK

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—George A. Cowdry of Wakefield park, Wakefield, known throughout the state as a horseman and a trainer, and ex-president of the Quannopowitt Driving Club, was temporarily blinded yesterday afternoon while treating his favorite horse, Belle Park.

Mr. Cowdry approached his sick horse in the stable to apply an acid to his hoof. Irritated by the biting fluid the horse kicked the bottle and knocked it from Mr. Cowdry's hand.

The liquid spurted into Mr. Cowdry's eyes. He was taken to his home and a physician summoned. He will be temporarily blind and will permanently lose the sight of his left eye, it is feared.

TELEPHONIC TESTIMONY

VICKSBURG, Miss., Dec. 23.—Testimony purporting to have been obtained by means of a telephonic device was introduced yesterday at the trial of State Senator G. A. Hobbs, charged with soliciting and accepting a bribe in connection with a bill providing for the creation of a new county in Mississippi. This testimony tended to corroborate that given by Stephen Castleman, who after cross-examination yesterday, was excused. He swore that he had given Hobbs $200 as a bribe.

1000 GIRLS STRIKE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Nearly a thousand employes of the William H. Tauhel hosiery mills in Kensington, most of them girls, went on strike yesterday. Notices announcing a two per cent reduction in wages after January 1 were said to have caused the walkout.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

One of the most interesting dramas that has been seen in this city for some time, "The Prisoner of Zenda," was presented at the Merrimack Square theatre last night and will be continued twice daily during the remainder of the week. The play is sure to please all who see it as it is full of thrilling incidents and has just enough comedy interjected to appeal to the ordinary theatregoer.

Nearly every member of the company, including one or two new faces, is seen during the presentation and all handle their parts exceedingly well. Walter Scott Weeks as "Prince Rudolph" has a part which suits him perfectly. He first appears as king and later as an Englishman and does some very clever character acting which is appreciated by the audience. John Charles, a cousin of the king, is seen to advantage as the "black Elphberg," and he again proves his ability in characterizing a villain. Excellent acting is done by Edouard D'Oize and Thomas Carroll, followers of the villain; Frank DeCamp, an old soldier; Stewart Wilson, Howard Sidney and the other male characters, while Miss Grace Young as "Princess Flavia" again proves her strength as an actress in the above part. Miss Edith Winchester, a new member of the company, deserves especial praise for her interpretation of two characters, "Amelia," the countess of Rassendyle, and "Antoinette De Mauban." Miss Winchester's pleasing ways are sure to prove popular with Lowell theatregoers and her acting this week is very good.

The play opens in the forest of Zenda and centres around Rudolph V, who is planning to marry the beautiful Princess Flavia. The king's cousin, the Duke of Sloslau, attempts to do away with the king so that he might mount the throne but when the time comes it is learned that he has been drugged by some scoundrels and is not in condition to carry out his plans. However, a young Englishman, who resembles in appearance the real king, is called upon to take part in the ceremonies and as he is a man who likes adventure and experience he assents to their plans and after numefous interesting and exciting incidents and some very clever acting, everything is straightened out and all are happy again.

The staging of the play, under the direction of Howard Sidney is equal to the other qualities of the performance and particularly pleasing are the scenes of the castles of Tarenhel and Zenda, in the third and fourth acts.

The audience at last night's performance was large and showed its appreciation by frequent applause. The photo-plays are good, a number of comical ones being in this week's list, while the Mutual Weekly is fully as instructive and interesting as usual.

OPERA HOUSE

The barn dance scene in "The Capture of David Dunne" at the Opera House today is a whole show in itself. Children at the matinee yesterday were hilarious over it, and the grown-ups were carried back to their childhood days as the avalanches of their applause testified. The lapse into laughmaking does not at all interfere with the serious story of this feature photoplay, which is one with many heart throbs over the career of the sweet country girl through many trials to the realization of her heart's desire to happiness. Another feature of special mention is the superb Kalem western production, "In Peril of His Life," showing how retribution overtakes a man who plots the downfall of his rival. Taken amid natural surroundings and in locations in harmony with the story, this Kalem production is as interesting as any play produced upon the boards.

"STOP, THIEF"

"Stop, Thief" is the name of a new farce Cohan and Harris are sending to this city. It will be presented at the Lowell Opera House next Tuesday evening, Dec. 30. Carlyle Moore, the author, has chosen kleptomania for his subject matter. In the play a prospective benedict and his father-in-law to be are afflicted with a mania for stealing, though neither is aware of the other's communicated influence. The bride-to-be has received a number of valuable gifts, and the inclination to steal coming over him, the groom engages a detective to curb the morbid impulse.

When the play opens a simon-pure, dyed-in-the-wool thief, smuggled into the house by a new maid, is mistaken for the detective and introduced to the family as such. In these unusual surroundings the astonished cracksman proceeds to exercise his nefarious calling, while responsibility for the disappearance of one valuable article after another, is accepted by the kleptomaniacs.

"Stop, Thief" is to be given here by the original company that was seen at the Galety theatre, New York city for an entire season, six months at Geo. M. Cohan's Opera House, Chicago and which is now playing at the Park theatre, Boston.

THEATRE VOYONS

An unusual picture is now being shown for the last time today at the Voyons entitled "The Sunken Treasure." This picture is a story of the sea. Two fellow-divers are in love with the same girl, while she only prefers one. How George, working on the remains of a sunken treasure, is saved after Peter cuts the air tube, is a thrilling and unusual situation in motion pictures. You should see the motor boat race and where the automobile stops the train; also the battle in the hold of the steamer and finally the death of Peter when a bullet ignites a case of powder, causing it to blow the steamer to atoms right before your eyes. We also show a great western reel entitled "The Face of Fear." See the two government men whip the two Indian horse thieves.

KEITH'S THEATRE

The bill at Keith's this week is well up to the average of this thoroughly reliable house. A melee evolved from the visit of members of an opera troupe to "Uncle Josh's farm" and the experience of Hiram furnishes a barrel of fun and frolic. The other acts are all good. Stickney's miniature circus has all the features and a comedy of a circus with the clowns and everything else in great array. It is intended to make children laugh, but the old folks enjoyed last night's performance almost as well as did the children who of course, were delighted.

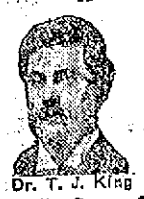
Charles F. Lemon might change his name to Stender if he wanted the name to indicate his personal appearance. His various stunts are curiosities in their way and all good. Mlle. Longenetto gives many impersonations in a most realistic fashion, winding up with the role of the lawyer in Madame X., and in all is quite effective. Two other acts complete the bill and each is productive of laughter. The pictures are first class as usual.

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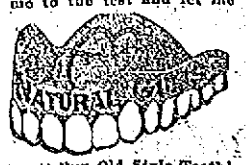
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5.43	6.50	3.00	3.45	6.45	7.56	x6.45	8.06
6.35	7.36	6.00	6.55	8.05	9.07	9.14	10.22
8.47	7.30	7.25	8.31	9.25	10.51	10.50	11.51
10.40	7.35	7.50	8.55	10.05	12.07	11.50	12.53
8.57	8.06	8.57	9.25	12.02	1.13	2.14	3.20
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11.28	5.43	11.05	11.43	5.15	6.23	6.03	7.05
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4.33	5.27	b5.41	7.10				
5.31	6.26	6.14	7.23	8.20	9.25	8.00	9.18
10.12	7.17	8.00	8.38	12.10	1.10	12.00	1.09
6.42	7.25	8.33	9.06	3.55	5.06	3.20	4.15
7.43	8.25	10.33	11.35	5.45	7.00	5.30	6.38
9.55	10.40	11.21	12.17	8.55	10.04	8.45	9.45
12.15	1.06	12.05	1.15				

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

9.47	7.37	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.25	5.33	10.08
8.08	9.04	11.05	11.43
8.48	9.49	1.00	1.52
9.06	9.57	3.39	5.21
10.20	11.17	8.40	9.38
7.42	8.25	8.30	9.08
8.13	8.05	9.30	10.25
9.43	7.36	10.14	10.55
7.43	8.25	10.29	11.35
9.55	10.40	12.05	1.15
12.15	1.06		

Sunday Trains

Portland Division

8.20	9.25	8.00	9.18
12.10	1.10	12.00	1.09
3.55	5.06	3.20	4.15
5.45	7.00	5.30	6.38
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.45

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Tomorrow evening a Christmas tree will be held in the vestry of the Congregational church of North Chelmsford for the benefit of the Sunday school children. A musical program will be given under the direction of Supt. Herbert T. Hadley and the teachers.

A meeting of the general committee of St. Patrick's Academy Alumni was held Sunday and considerable business was transacted. President M. P. Mahoney occupied the chair and the various committees in charge of the arrangements of the coming annual reunion and banquet of the alumni reported progress. A letter of regret was received from Cardinal O'Connell through his secretary, in which His Eminence stated that his many official appointments compel him to forego the pleasure of attending the coming banquet. The committee will meet again next Sunday at 10.30 a. m.

The members of Merrimack lodge, I. O. B. A., at their last meeting held the election of officers for the ensuing six months with the following result: President, A. S. Goldman; vice president, B. Siegel; treasurer, Louis Abrams; secretary, Nathan Friedman; trustees, Frank Goldman, Esq., Solomon Baker and Max Carp; outside guard, Samuel Haut; medical examiner and family physician, Dr. George E. Caisse. The following committee was appointed to take full charge of the initiation of new members: A. S. Goldman, Frank Goldman, Dr. Maurice Fishman, Max Carp, George Bresth, B. Goldberg, J. Steinberg, George Greenberg, A. Stein, A. Gushat, S. Baker. The lodge recently purchased a tract of land near the Chelmsford line for a cemetery, and it is believed the place will be ready for dedication in the spring.

PROMINENT MINISTER DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Rev. John Thomas McFarland, D. D., former president of Iowa Wesleyan university and editor of Sunday school publications of the Methodist Episcopal church since 1904, died yesterday at his home in Maplewood, N. J. Dr. McFarland was born at Mount Vernon, Ind., in 1851 and was educated at Iowa Wesleyan university, Simpson college, Iowa, and Boston university school of theology.

TINKER FULL FLEDGED DODGER

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Joseph B. Tinker, former manager of the Cincinnati club officially became a member of the Brooklyn National league club yesterday when his release was formally promulgated by Secretary Heydler of the National league. Secretary Heydler received word from President Herrmann of the Cincinnati club that Tinker had been sold to Brooklyn, and Tinker's name was accordingly placed on the reserve list of the Brooklyn club.

TO SAVE AND ECONOMIZE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Difficulties experienced by postal officials in reaching the people to "save and economize" are set forth by Third Assistant Postmaster General Dockery in his annual report made public last night.

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NORRIS FOR COMPTROLLER

PRES. WILSON SAID TO FAVOR RETIRED BANKER FOR CURRENCY POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Wilson is inclined to nominate as comptroller of the currency his friend George W. Norris, a retired banker, now director of docks, wharves and ferries in Philadelphia. There is a vigorous fight over this nomination, however, and uncertainty, it is said, over the outcome.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo is strongly for John Skelton Williams, now assistant secretary of the treasury. There is powerful opposition to Mr. Williams, whose course in the treasury department has brought down considerable criticism upon him, and this would undoubtedly be reflected in the senate sufficiently to delay confirmation.

Representative Mitchell Palmer of Pennsylvania was at the White House offices yesterday to urge the nomination of Mr. Norris, whom he indorsed. He came away uncertain what the president would do. "I hope Mr. Norris will be named," Mr. Palmer said last night, "but I have no reason for saying he will be."

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BACK FROM ARCTIC REGION

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—A journey home for Christmas, begun several months ago over Arctic ice, ended last night when members of the Polar Bear expedition arrived here. The party included Louis Lane, captain of the schooner, Eben S. Draper, Jr., Dunbar Lockwood and Will T. Hudson, the photographer. The Polar Bear was firmly gripped in the ice when they left her and by forced marches made their way over Alaskan trails. The party was met at Chicago by former Gov. Eben S. Draper, who told his son of the death of his mother last September.

MAN AND NIECE KILLED

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Dillard Hunter, a farmer, and his niece, Miss Nora Hunter, were instantly killed near here yesterday when a buggy in which they were driving was struck by a Louisville & Nashville passenger train. The accident occurred at a sharp curve.

BALL CLUB SOLD FOR $150,000

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—The Indianapolis American Association baseball club was sold by Sol. Meyer, owner, to J. C. McGill of Denver and William Smith of New York city late yesterday for $150,000. The purchase price was paid to Sol Kiser, Mr. Meyer's representative at a meeting in Chicago.

THE GRAND COURT

Has Opened Suit—The Papers Served in Case at Nashua

NASHUA, Dec. 23.—Papers were served yesterday on all the officers of the former Court Marquette and Court Greenville, F. of A., the organizations expelled from the order recently after voting to secede. The papers will be served in a bill in equity and in actions of law.

The action is taken by the grand court of New Hampshire through Doyle and Lucier as counsel. The bill in equity calls for the old officers to produce all books, papers and funds which were the property of the courts. The Nashua court had about $3000 when it seceded and this was divided among the members. The Greenville court had about $2000 which was also divided. The grand lodge claims the money belongs to the organization and that it was divided illegally under the laws of the organization.

There were 454 members in the Nashua court and 134 in Greenville. The cases are attracting wide attention in secret orders throughout the state. The courts claimed that they seceded from the order because of the high expense of running the grand court and that they went strictly by law in disbanding and dividing the money. The cases will come before the January term of the superior court.

$50,000 LOSS

Block and Stable Destroyed and Church Damaged by Fire

SANDWICH, Dec. 23.—Boyden's block at the corner of Main and Franklin streets and the livery stable of Jerome Holway were destroyed today by a fire which also caused considerable damage to the Unitarian church and the residences of Arthur Green, Captain Nichols and Ambrose E. Pratt. The loss is estimated at $50,000.

GREET TOURING BALL PLAYERS

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—That the National will assist the American league in giving welcome to the world touring Chicago White Sox and New York Giants on their return to New York next March was made known in a letter received here today by President Johnson of the American league from President Tener of the National body. President Johnson recently announced that he would accompany a party of White Sox supporters to New York to greet the homecoming tourists. Governor Tener requested that plans for the celebration be made jointly with the national league and it was announced that his request will be granted. The Chicagoans will arrive in New York March 6, the date the players expect to land.

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These final days of shopping will be easier for you here than elsewhere. The large stocks are standing the strain of the biggest Christmas trading we've ever experienced and our well organized salesforce is swinging into the last lap of the Christmas sale with more strength and ambition than ever before. You'll help us and make it easier all around if you'll keep to the right in the aisles and carry the small parcels. Of course you'll find it better shopping from 10 a. m. to 12 m., but we'll take good care of you whenever you do come. As a last reminder may we suggest—A Wool Dress pattern, properly boxed; a Silk Waist, a Pair of Slippers, Silk Underwear, a Carpet Sweeper, Casserole Dish, a Set of Books, Silver Buckles, Sled, Bath Robe, Rain Coat, Perfumery, Pin Cushion, Silk Handkerchiefs, Cuff Links, Playing Cards, Folding Umbrella, etc., etc. Something in almost every department.

Our Great Under-Price Basements hold the following in a great variety at the lowest prices you can find.

Useful Gifts for Men

Men's Sweaters
Men's Neglige Shirts
Men's Rubber Coats
Men's Rain Coats
Men's Canvas Coats
Men's Corduroy Coats (Sheepskin Lined)
Men's Corduroy Coats (Leather Reversible)
Men's Corduroy Vests (Blanket
Men's Corduroy Vests (Sheepskin Lined)
Men's Pants
Men's Hose
Men's Arm Bands
Men's Garters
Men's Underwear
Men's Union Suits
Men's Hats and Caps
Men's Umbrellas

Useful Gifts for Boys

Boys' Sweaters
Boys' Neglige Shirts
Boys' Flannel Blouses
Boys' Madras Blouses
Boys' Wash Suits
Boys' Play Suits
Boys' Indian Suits
Boys' Russian Suits
Boys' Norfolk Suits
Boys' Russian Overcoats
Boys' Auto Overcoats
Boys' Pants
Boys' Rain Coats
Boys' Rubber Coats
Boys' Hockey Caps
Boys' Golf Caps
Boys' Underwear
Boys' Union Suits
Boys' Hose
Boys' Gloves

Useful Gifts for Women

Ladies' Flannelette Gowns
Ladies' Nainsook Gowns
Ladies' Combinations
Ladies' Corset Covers
Ladies' Cotton Drawers
Ladies' Shirt Waists
Ladies' White Skirts
Ladies' Silk Petticoats
Ladies' Sateen Petticoats, and Colored
Ladies' Ripplette Petticoats
Ladies' House Dresses
Ladies' Wrappers
Ladies' Skirts
Ladies' Tea Aprons
Ladies' Large Aprons
Ladies' Allover Aprons
Ladies' Sweaters
Ladies' Long and Short Kimonos
Ladies' Bath Robes
Ladies' Rain Coats
Ladies' Umbrellas
Ladies' Hose, Silk, Cotton and Wool
Ladies' Neckwear
Ladies' Handkerchiefs

Useful Gifts for the Little Tots

Children's Corduroy Coats, Red, Blue, Green
Children's Galatea Rompers
Children's Flannelette Rompers
Children's Gingham Rompers
Children's Dresses
Children's Sweaters
Children's Bath Robes
Children's Flannelete Gowns
Children's Underwear
Children's Hose
Children's Gloves and Mittens
Children's Handkerchiefs
Children's Knit Caps
Children's Rubber Coats

Useful Gifts for the Home

Mercerized Table Covers
Linen Table Covers
Colored Table Covers
Mercerized Napkins
Linen Napkins
Mercerized Table Damask
Linen Table Damask
Colored Table Damask
Damask Towels
Turkish Towels
Cotton Blankets
Wool Nap Blankets
Wool Blankets
Plaid Wool Blankets
Bath Robe Blankets
Cotton Puffs
Wool Puffs
Down Puffs
Crib Down Puffs
Crib Cotton Puffs
Crib Blankets
Bed Spreads

SPECIAL

Dress Goods	Blanketing
Corduroy	Eiderdown
Gingham	Sheets
Percales	Pillow Cases
Flannelette	Sheeting



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Follow the Crowd and Buy Your Christmas Dinner at Our Store

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TURKEYS ..... 15c to 25c

We Are Selling Exceptionally Good Turkeys at 20c

GEESE ..... 18c to 20c

DUCKS 15c

CHICKEN ..... 15c to 20c

FOWL ..... 15c to 17c

These Turkeys are extra fancy. They are the best Fresh Killed Turkeys in Lowell.

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All sizes from 15c each to extra large trees for Churches and Institutions for 50c.

These are all fresh cut, well proportioned and full limbed.

SUGAR, lb.	4½c
POTATOES, Pk.	18c
RAISINS, Fancy Seeded, Pkg.	7c
RAISINS, Fancy Seedless, Pkg.	9c
CURRANTS, Pkg.	8c
English WALNUTS, No. 1, Lb.	15c
CRANBERRIES, Qt.	5c
CELERY, Boston Market	10c, 14c
SQUASH, Lb.	4c

ORANGES, doz.	12 1-2c, 15c
BANANAS, doz.	10c
GRAPEFRUIT	4c
APPLES, fancy, pk.	30c
DATES	10c lb., 3 lbs. for 25c
FIGS, extra Turkey, lb.	11c, 17c
MIXED NUTS, lb.	14c

ORANGE PEEL, lb.	15c
LEMON PEEL, lb.	15c
CITRON, lb.	15c
MINCE MEAT, pkg.	6c
PLUM PUDDING, pkg.	9c
POULTRY DRESSING, pkg.	9c
FANCY RIBBON CANDY, in boxes, 2 lbs., for	23c

FANCY ASSORTED CHRISTMAS CANDY, lb.	18c
OLD FASHIONED VANILLA CHOCOLATES, lb.	17c
Special Old-Fashioned Chocolates in pound boxes	20c
CREAM PATTIES, lb.	18c
ASSORTED JELLY DROPS, lb.	12 1-2c
SPECIAL PEPPERMINTS, lb.	17c
Quimby's Special Assorted Chocolates in lb. boxes	25c

SUNSHINE CRACKERS—

Regular 40c and 45c assortment, lb. 33c
Regular 50c assortment in 1 pound boxes, a dainty package, lb. 40c

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